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SATURDAY 2 P.M.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	1902.
M.L. VICTORIA	6527	E. Crewe	19th April.
* PENINSULAR	5287	T. Leigh	26th „
M.L. ARABIA	7,903	J. L. Parfitt	3rd May.
* PERSIA	7,951	W. A. Wheler	10th „
M.L. PENINSULAR	5,287	T. Leigh	17th „
* CALEDONIA	7,558	E. H. Gordon	24th „
M.L. PERSIA	7,951	W. A. Wheler	31st „
* EGYPT	7,912	G. L. Langborne	7th June
M.L. CALEDONIA	7,558	E. H. Gordon	14th „
* ORIENTAL	5,284	F. N. Tillard	21st „
M.L. EGYPT	7,912	G. L. Langborne	28th „

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Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	To sail on
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IMPERATOR	C. Androvich.	4,139	1st June 1902,

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Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	To sail on
S. S. E FRANZ FERDINAND		6,043	16th April
*S. S. SILESIA	......	5,159	about the 17th May.

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TONKIN	6,363	Gerard	5th June 1902.
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BOMBAY MILLOWNERS' ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Bombay Millowners' Association will be held in the Rooms of the Association, Graham's Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 24th April 1902, at 4-30 p. m., to transact the following business:—

(1). To receive the report of the Committee for the year 1901.

(2). To elect a Chairman, Deputy Chairman, and Members of the Committee of the Association for the year 1902, in accordance with Rules V and IV, and to transact any other Business that may be brought forward.

By Order of the Committee,
FREDERICK NOEL PATON,
Secretary.
Millowners' Association, Bombay, 14th April, 1902.

MUNICIPALITY OF BOMBAY.

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, unto 2 P. M., on FRIDAY, the 25th April, 1902, for the SUPPLY of CLOTHING to different Municipal Hospitals.

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3. Form of contract, etc., may, on payment of Rs. 2, be obtained from the Undersigned, who will, on application, give any further information that may be required.

4. Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 1,000 to be paid into the office of the Undersigned in cash or Public Securities and to be forfeited in case of withdrawal of Tender or of refusal to sign the contract.

5. With each Tender samples of clothing proposed to be supplied should be submitted by the Tenderer.

6. The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

By Order of the Municipal Commissioner,
W. E. WAITE,
Chief Accountant, Municipality.
Chief Accountant's Office, Bombay, 15th April, 1902.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

EDWARD VII, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of DAYAL DHARSEY, late of Bombay Bhatia Hindu Merchant, deceased.

RANCHORDAS DHARSEY of Bombay Bhatia Hindoo Merchant residing at Cazi Syed Street, the brother and sole surviving coparcener of the said deceased .... Petitioner.

ALL PERSONS claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness SIR LAWRENCE H. JENKINS, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, the fourteenth day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand Nine hundred and Two and in the Second year of our Reign.

The Seal of the High Court of Bombay.

R. D. SETHNA,
Acting Registrar.
D. B. BINNING,
The 15th day of April, 1902.
Messrs. PAYNE, GILBERT, SAYANI & MOOS,
Petitioner's Attorneys

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Bombay, 9th April, 1902.

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Bombay, 15th April, 190 .

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SALE (IN PANVEL) OF VALUABLE PLOTS OF BATTY AND VARKAS LAND AND BUILDINGS.

By order of N. W. Kemp, Esq., Acting Official Assignee, H. C., and in re Miya Esmail Saheb bin Bhau Meeya Shen an insolvent, Messrs. MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 26th April, 1902, at 4 p.m., on the said insolvent's dwelling premises on Pada, near Musjid, in Taluka Panvel, District Kolaba, all the right, title and interest and claim of the said insolvent in the following properties in 4 lots:—

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES.

Lot No. 1.—All those several pieces or parcels of Batty and Varkas land or ground, admeasuring together about 182 acres and one and a quarter goonthas, situate, lying and being in Mowjee Vayal, Turf Vankhal, Petha Khalapoor, Taluka Panvel, in the Registration sub-district of Kolaba, together with the trees or shrubs standing thereon.

Lot No. 2.—All those four pieces of land, admeasuring about 2 acres and 6 goonthas, situate, lying and being in Mowjee Kambe, Turf Toongartai, in sub-district of Panvel.

Lot No. 3.—All those Inami Batty pieces of land, admeasuring about 5 bighas, situate, lying, and being at Pargaum, in the sub-district of Panvel, and bounded on the east by the well-known chal of Pirya, on the west by the land of insolvent's father, on the south by Shivechi Tekdi, and on the north by the land of Dadoo Meeya.

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Lot No. 4.—All that piece or parcel of land, together with a house standing thereon, admeasuring about 42 feet and 6 inches in length, and 38 feet in breadth and assessed by the Municipality of Panvel under No 681, the front part facing on the south.

All that the vacant piece of land with a chawl thereon, situate on the north side of the above piece of land admeasuring about 52 feet in length and 41 feet in breadth.

All that piece of land on the north side of the above vacant land, together with a tiled house or chawl standing thereon, admeasuring about 41 feet in length and 16 feet and 6 inches in breadth, and assessed by the Municipality of Panvel under No. 682, the front part facing on the north side.

All that piece of land adjoining to the above house on the north side thereof together with a messuage or house standing thereon, admeasuring about 41 feet in length and 17 feet and 3 inches in breadth, and assessed by the Municipality of Panvel under No. 683, the front part of the house being on the north side, all those above 4 houses standing in one and the same part are bounded as follows; that is to say on the east by the properties of Jin Kachi and of Goolam Saheb Raoot, on the west by the house of Appa Saheb Goolway, on the north by the Khar, and on the south by a main public road.

For Survey and Pote numbers and further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the Undersigned.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co.
Bombay, 16th April, 1902.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS,
21, MEDOWS STREET, FORT, BOMBAY.

SALE OF IMMOVEABLE PROPERTIES at Marcha Bhat Mori Road, and Lady Jamsetjee Road, Mahim.

In the High Court of Judicature at Bombay.
O. O. C. J.
Suit No. 615 of 1898.
Abdul Kadir and others..Plaintiffs.
vs.
Fakrudin Ali Mahomed and others.......................Defendants.

Pursuant to an order made by the High Court in the above suit bearing date the 3rd day of March, 1902, and by order of H. A. H. Payne, Esq., the Receiver appointed in the said suit, Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the following days on the several premises and subject to certain conditions of sale the following several immoveable properties:—

LOT NO. 2.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of April, 1902, at 4-30 p. m.

FIRSTLY.—All the right, title, and interest of the plaintiffs and the defendants of and in all that piece or parcel of Fazendari Land with the messuage, or dwelling-house and other buildings standing thereon, situate on the Road called Marcha Bhat at Mahim, in Bombay, containing by admeasurement 239 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the north partly by the house of Ramoo and Rena Mangabai and partly by vacant Fazendari ground, on the south by the Mori Road, on the east by the house of Merwanjee Cooverjee, and on the west by the house of Mangabai, which said house and premises are assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under Ward No. 6003, Street No. 478.

SECONDLY.—All the right, title, and interest of the plaintiff and the defendants in all that piece of parcel of Fazendari land or ground with the messuage or dwelling-house standing on it, situate on the Mori Road, at Mahim, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 136 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by a public passage, on the west by a public passage, on the north by the property of Bhagoobai, and which premises are assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under Ward No. Street No.

LOT NO. 3.

Sale THIS DAY, at and on as above, at 5 p.m.

All the right, title, and interest of the plaintiffs and defendants in all that piece or parcel of Fazendari land, with the messuage or shed built thereon, situate on the Lady Jamsetjee Road, at Upper Mahim, in the Island of Bombay containing by admeasurement 100 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by the property of Shapurjee ——on the west by the property of Jao ——Antone, on the north by the property of Abdul Rahiman Dawoodalla and on the south by a passage, and which said premises are assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under Ward No.——Street No.——

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THE SALE of the remaining surplus stock-in-trade of Messrs. Kemp and Co. Ld., at Esplanade Road, Fort, next to the Bombay Club, will be resumed, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at 2 p. m.

SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH STORES, WIRE AND CAST IRON.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at 2 p. m. Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at the Government Telegraph storeyard, Wari Bunder—

A quantity of unserviceable stores, consisting of caps, sockets, sole plates, posts, lamps, stays, braces, couplings insulators, shackles, backs, brackets, washers, wire tools, acid jars, also about 4 1-2, tons old telegraph wire, and 12 tons cast iron.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

On SUNDAY, the 20th instant, at 1 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Pali Hill Road, Bandora (Mr. Vakil's bungalow) the handsome blackwood and teakwood household furniture, glassware and crockeryware, plated ware, mahogany square piano by Collard and Collard, lamps, pictures, table ornaments etc. the property of A LOSASSO Esq.

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SALE OF 4 PIECES OF VALUABLE LAND ON PALLI HILL ROAD, BANDORA, SUITABLE FOR BUILDING BUNGALOWS.

High Court.

Suit No. 178 of 1900.

Goolamali Hajee Mahomed and others..................Plaintiffs.

vs.

Karmali Hajee Mahomed and others..................Defendants.

By order of Mr. Currimbhoy Kassum Nanjee, the Receiver appointed in the above suit Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will on SUNDAY, the 20th instant at 4 p. m., sell by Public Auction on the premises the following land in 4 lots, viz.:—

All that piece of land situate on the east side of Palli and Danda Road, containing by admeasurement 3295 square yards or thereabouts, registered under Survey Nos. 34, 35 and 36, and bounded on the east partly by the ground of G. Gonsalves and partly by the ground of Dr. Almeida, on the west by the Road to Palli and Danda, on the north partly by the ground of E. F. Gonsalves and partly by the ground of G. Gonsalves and on the south partly by the ground of Dinshawjee Jeewajee Jussawalla and partly by the ground of Jujeen Patel. The land is divided into the following four lots:—

Lot No.	Survey No.	square yards.
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BONA-FIDE SALE.

SALE OF GOLD AND SILVER JEWELLERY.

On MONDAY next, the 21st instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a lot of jewellery belonging to the estate of a deceased Parsee Lady, consisting of:—

White stone necklace, emerald pearl and diamond bracelet, emerald and diamond brooch, diamond earring, diamond sapphire turquoise and topal rings, lockets snake pattern albert chain, signet rings, seals, charms, keys, bangles, silver watch, cats-eye silver bracelet, pencils, Cambay stones, etc.

The property will be on view 3 days before sale.

On THURSDAY, the 24th inst. at 1 p. m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Wodehouse Road, Colaba, in the compound of the Bombay Tramway Company, the very valuable and handsome French-polished blackwood and teakwood household furniture of the latest style, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, cottage piano by Rose and Co. 1 D B 12 bore gun by T Bland, London, in leather case, 1 S B collector's gun 20 bore by T Bland, London, 1 S B 8 bore pin fire duck gun by Rhodda 1 D B hammerless ejector, 12 bore nitro proof by Higham, Liverpool, in solid leather case, 1 D B 12 bore gun by W W Greener, in solid leather case, 1 D B 500 bore hammerless express rifle by W W Greener in case very accurate and hard hitting weapon. loaded cartridges, Kiswick bicycle almost new, rich table ornaments, wind proof lamps, pictures, brussels, carpets, garden plants in tubs and pots, etc., the property of C.H.G. WEATHRALL, Esq., late Chief Veterinary Surgeon, Bombay Tramway Co., Ld., who has left for South Africa.

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On MONDAY, the 21st instant, at 2-30 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of Messrs. Manekjee Cavasjee and Sons and on account and at the risk of Mr. M. M. Kaka—

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Bombay, 16th April, 1902.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

Under instructions from the Superintendent, Prince's and Victoria Docks, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 2 p.m., sell by Public Auction at the Dock premises a lot of grain sweepings, old wood iron, etc.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 17th instant, at 4 p.m., sell by Public Auction, on the premises, the whole of the building materials of house Nos. 40, 36, 16, 106, 13, 11, 7, (36-38), 50, 51, 52, (99, 99A), Chandanwadi.

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Indian Bank Bills 2 3-4 ,, = ,,

Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet. Manchester was firm. Total sales 10,000 bales. Sold on speculation and for export 500 bales. Surats nil. Imports 5,000. Spot 5 1-32 —1-32. Arrivals closed easier.

Apl.	Apl.-May.	June-July.	Sept.-Oct.	Nov.-Dec.
4·55	4·55	4·55	4·38	4·25
— 4	— 3	— 3	— 2	— 2

In New York—
Receipts at the Port .... 9,000 bales.
Do. last year .... 9,000 ,,
Exports to Great Britain .... 2,000 ,,
Do. to Continent .... 7,000 ,,
Mid-Uplands.......... 9 3-16—1-16
Futures, month of July.......... 8·94
Do. do. Oct. .... 8·16 — 2

Linseed 53 3-8 June-July Business done. Tone firm.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, during the 48 hours ending at 6 p.m., on Monday, the 14th April 1902:—

Cotton	10,573 bales.
Wheat	17,695 cwts.
Linseed	33,978 ,,
Rapeseed	32,188 ,,
Gingellyseed	4,109 ,,
Poppyseed	12,132 ,,
Groundnuts	538 ,,
Castorseed	17,199 ,,
Rice	23,018 ,,
Myrabollams	8,101 ,,
Cottonseed	3,564 ,,

Imports of treasure, Gold Bullion from Hongkong ex "Izumi Maru" Rs. 15,97,436.

BOMBAY, TUESDAY, APRIL 15.

EXCHANGE—Tone. Very steady.
Bank T. T. 1s 3 29-32d
Bank Demand 1s 3 15-16d
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A... 1s 4 1-8d
Do 6 do do 1s 4 1-4d
French Francs 3 do do 169 1-4
Marks 3 do do 137 1-2
Hongkong 30 Days Sight 129 1-2
Shanghai 30 ,, ,, ... 175
Japan 30 ,, ,, ... 149 1-2
GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent. Tone steady.
Cash.......... 97.3
1st Settlement 97- 8
Money Market, Tone easy.
BANK RATE—
Bank of England since Febry. 3 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. April 6 do
Bank of Bengal do. April 6 do
SEEDS.—
Linseed.—Tone quiet.
Ready ... ... 9 7 to 9 8
Forward, May ... ... 9 7 to 9 8
Rapeseed.—Tone quiet.
Brown Cawnpore, Ready ... 6 3 to 6 4
Do. Forward, May... 6 3 to 6 4
Yellow Cawnpore Ready ... 6 11
Do. Forward May... 6 11
Poppyseed.—Tone quiet.
Ready 8 6
Forward, May 8 6
Castorseed—Tone quiet.
Ready 28
Forward, May 28 8

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited:—

Growths.	Fine.	F.-G.	Good.	Delivery.
Bengals, H.-G. (Ry. terms)	166	159	154	25 April
Bengals, M.-G. (Ry. terms)	176	170	...	do.
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)	176	170	...	do.
Belati (M.-G.)	190	184	...	do.
Khandeish, (M.-G.)	...	178	...	do.
Dhamangam Poolgam	193	187	...	do.
Oomra good staple	...	194	...	do.
Akola M.-G. Khamgaum do. Karanja do.	194	188	...	do.
Broach do.	222	...	216	do.
Bhownugger (H. G.)	...	...	188	15-25 May
S.-G. Dharwar	...	...	214	do.
Westerns	...	...	192	do.

COTTON—Tone steady.

THE BETHEL SONTHAL MISSION.

WE received a short time ago a letter from Pastor A Haegert, L. M., Director, Bethel Sontha Mission, Jamtara, which ran as follows:—"We are in the midst of a big famine. I have given famine relief work, digging a reservoir, but my money is gone, and to-day I had to stop, to the great regret of a lot of poor people. A lot of aged women need a cloth each; people that have no money for food can hardly afford a rupee to buy a cloth. I also need clothes for our orphans and school children; we have 181 boys and 29 girls in our schools to-day; 20 more boys wished to be received as boarders, but I am dreadfully hard up. The great need of these hills are reservoirs or tanks to store the water, which usually comes in abundance from the clouds, in the rainy season. After finishing the above reservoir, I hope to deepen and enlarge four old, tanksp wish somebody would fall in love with the Master, and send in a little help. There has beenheavy rain last week 20 miles south and 20 miles north; but we had only half a shower since September. This is the second year that our district is afflicted by famine. Now who will help?" In a postscript Mr. Haegert added that "thousands of raiyats are utterly ruined. My crop goes to feed our orphans." As we had seen no official intimation of a "big famine" in the Sonthal Parganas, we deemed it advisable, before publishing this appeal, to inquire from the Bengal Government how the position actually stood. In answer to our inquiry, we have received a reply which, after pointing out that Jamtara is traversed from end to end by the East Indian Railway, goes on to say: "This sub-division has had poor crops in recent years, and specially a bad winter rice crop in 1901, though not worse than the crop of many other districts in Bengal. Mr. Haegert's statements that the Sonthal Parganas district is suffering from a 'big famine,' and that 'thousands of raiyats are utterly ruined,' are of an altogether exaggerated character. With reference to a letter addressed by Mr. Haegert to the Lieutenant-Governor, the Commissioner has recently reported that there is some scarcity in the Jamtara sub-division, but that there has been no famine and that there will be none. The Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner are watching the sub-division, and will take any action that may be necessary. Prices in the district are normal, and no lack of employment has yet been reported by the local officers." No doubt Mr. Haegert will find excellent objects on which to expend any subscriptions which the charitable public may forward, but it is as well even for philanthropic missionaries to avoid exaggeration.—"Pioneer."

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

THE forty-fourth report of the directors of this bank states:—

The gross profits of the bank for the half-year, including yen 527,081,^{325} brought forward from last accounts, amount to yen 5,755,721^{683}, of which yen 3,841,564,^{890} have been deducted for current expenses, Interests, &c., leaving a balance of yen 1914,156^{793}. The directors now propose that yen 200,000.^{000} be added to the Reserve Fund, raising it to yen 8,710,000^{000}. From the remainder the directors recommend a dividend at the rate of thirteen per cent., per annum, which will absorb yen 780,000^{000} on old shares and yen 390,000^{000} on new shares, making a total of yen 1,170,000^{000}. The balance, yen 544,156,^{793} will be carried forward to the credit of next account.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COLONEL LOUIS P. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 16th April, 1902.

1. Members, who have not returned their arms and accoutrements are requested to do so at once.

By Order,
G. STODDART, Captain, R. A.,
Adjutant, B. V. A.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS MARRIAGES, DEATH and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line, CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

LYONS—April 5, at Dum Dum, the wife of W Lyons, M W S, of a son.

PANIOTY—April 10, at No. 6, Government Place, Calcutta, the wife of C D Panioty, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

BLUNT—April 6, at Agra, of fever, Robert Blunt, aged 72 years and 8 months.

KERR—April 11, at the Church of Scotland Women's Association for Foreign Missions, 125, Bow Bazaar, Margaret Esther Kerr, of cholera, aged 30 years.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 5h. 43m. Sun sets, 6h. 17m. High water, 5-30m., 6-34a. Low water, 11-34 m.
Banks closed: Hindu holiday.
Second Criminal Sessions.

HOMELESS LEPER ASYLUM, MATUNGA.—We are requested to state that the donation of Rs. 200 for the Matunga Leper Asylum in the month of March, was received from Khan Bahadur Dr. Choksy, and not from the Bombay Scottish Orphanage.

HOUSE-BREAKING.—Ruttonlal Sarowji, who resides at Gaiwady, has reported to the Police that during his absence from home on Monday afternoon, his room was broken into and gold and silver ornaments of the value of Rs. 510, were abstracted from a box which was also forced open.

CRICKET.—A cricket match was played between the Grant Road Proprietary and Fort High School C. Club, and Mr. Cantinwalla's XI on Saturday on the Marine Cricket Ground. The Grant Road School scored 135 runs, and Mr. Cantinwalla's XI scored 45 runs only. The former thus won by 90 runs.

THEFT ON THE S. S. SYRIA.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. T.J. Strangman, Acting Chief Presidency Magistrate, disposed of a case in which Police Inspector Mr. Chambers charged Shiraj Sadula, a Pathan, with stealing a counterpane of the P. and O. Company valued at Rs. 8 from the s. s. Syria, on Monday. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge. The Magistrate sentenced him to receive seven stripes.

POSTAL NOTICES.—Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per s. s. Izdami Maru, will be closed at the General Post Office at 1 p. m. on Friday the 18th instant.—Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per s. s. Bisagno, will be closed at the General Post Office at 1 p. m. to-morrow the 17th instant.—Mails for Kurrachee, Sind and Bahrein per extra s. s. Culna, will be closed at the General Post Office at 1 p. m. this day the 16th instant.—Mails for Natal, Cape Colony and Delagoa Bay and other places in South Africa per transport Syria, will be closed at the General Post Office at 8 a. m. on Friday the 18th instant.

NAVAL DISCIPLINE.—Yesterday, at the Esplanade Police Court, C. Wood A. B. a Naval seaman on board the s. s. Syria, was placed before Mr. Karsandas Chabildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, to answer a charge of wilful absence without leave preferred against him by Mr. William Horatio Haughton, Commander of the ship. The complainant stated that the accused left the ship on Saturday afternoon last, and he could not find him till yesterday morning when he was arrested. He requested his Worship to make an example of the accused for breach of discipline on a ship was a very serious offence. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge, and said that he left the ship on Saturday, as he wanted to buy some clothing. Meanwhile he met a couple of his sea mates with whom he got drunk, and did not like to go back to the ship in that condition. He was very sorry for what had occurred and was ready to go to his work. The Magistrate remarked that such cases had been very frequent. He ordered him to undergo a term of 8 weeks' hard labour in jail, and to forfeit his wages for two days.

TRAFFIC IN MINORS.

AT the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, disposed of the case in which Inspector Flanagan charged a Hindu woman named Mathoo alias Pada and two men named Gooloo Premji and Ukenda Walji, with letting to hire two girls under sixteen for immoral purposes and with the abetment of the offence. The accused were defended by Messrs. Kapadia, Velinker and Ashbury, pleader. The facts of the case, as disclosed by the evidence, were that the Police, in pursuance of certain information proceeded to a house in Goolalwady on the night of the 22nd ultimo. On entering the place they found the first accused, whom they questioned as to the whereabouts of certain girls who were supposed to be under her care. The woman denied all knowledge of the girls. The Police then proceeded to another house belonging to the same woman in Barbhaya Moholla. Here they found the two girls whose names were Moti and Radhi concealing themselves in a passage. These girls were said to be minors, and according to police information they had been kept by the three accused for the purpose of leading an immoral life. The Magistrate in his decision observed that from the medical evidence, it appeared that the girls though above twelve years of age, were under sixteen, and therefore there could be no doubt that they were minors under the Penal Code. The question, however, was whether the first accused by allowing them to carry on an immoral life in her house and by taking money earned by them, could be said to have let to hire or disposed of girls. After citing several authorities on the point, his Worship held that the accused were not guilty of that offence. The next question was whether the first accused was guilty of obtaining possession of the girls for immoral purposes. The statements of the girls were the only evidence on that point. The girl Radhi had stated that she was of low character and led an immoral life in Bombay, when she was taken away to Nasik by her mother. The first accused sent the third accused to Nasik to bring her back to Bombay. She was brought back to this city, and she lived with the first accused of her own accord. This, if true, no doubt, amounted to obtaining possession of a minor, but as the girl had already been a public woman, how could it be said that the first accused obtained her with intent to corrupt her. With regard to the girl Moti, her case was different. She was an orphan and was brought to Bombay by two persons who deserted her in her illness. She had then to beg in the streets. She met the first accused and accepted employment under her, and afterwards led an immoral life in her house. The question was whether the first accused obtained possession of this girl? His Worship thought it was not so. There was a distinction between "obtaining possession of" and "receiving" a girl. One could easily see that the first accused did the latter, but not the former. His Worship was of opinion that "obtaining possession" must be from a third party and not by an arrangement with the minor herself. If so, the accused could not be said to have committed an offence, and consequently they were discharged.

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SECOND CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BEFORE Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice, and the same Special Jury yesterday, at the Bombay Criminal Sessions, the trial of the following case was resumed:—

ALLEGED FORGERY OF A WILL

Jadowji Parmanand, Kallianjee Mowjee, Dewkuran Meghjee, Merwanjee Nanabhoy Saklatwalla, and Rustomjee Carsetjee Banatwalla, were again placed at the bar before his lordship and a Special Jury, charged with forging the will of one Purshotum Ludha, using as genuine a forged document, and fabricating false evidence for the purpose of being used in a judicial proceeding; and abetment of these offences.

The Advocate-General, with Mr. Bahadurjee, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown. Mr. H. N. Haridas represented accused No. 1; Mr. Branson with the Hon. Mr. Mehta, instructed by Messrs. Bhaishanker, Kanga and Girdharlal, appeared for No. 2; Mr. Kazi Kabirudin and Mr. Pundit, instructed by Mr. Sorab B. Dadyburjor, for No. 3; Mr. Rustom Wadia, instructed by Mr. J. P. De Quadros, for No. 4; and Mr. Lowndes, instructed by Messrs. Crawford, Brown and Co., for No. 5. The following gentlemen were on the

SPECIAL JURY.

Mr. N. S. Glazebrook, foreman.

Messrs. J. E. Keess,	Messrs. A. E. Duchesne
Krishnanath A. Kirtiker,	T. H. Hannah,
F. W. Cresswell,	L. B. Ker,
D. M. Forbes,	F. W. Gymer,

On the trial being resumed, Mr. Branson said he wished to call evidence for the defence.

The Chief Justice said that Mr. Branson might open his case shortly to show what the evidence would be, and then call his witnesses.

Mr. Branson, addressing the jury, said he would call Mr. Kapadia, pleader, and his clerk to prove that the statement of Narandas, which was put in as an exhibit, was not made under any threats held out to him by any one in Mr. Kapadia's office. It would be shown that Narandas went to Mr. Kapadia's office of his own free will and wrote out the statement in his own handwriting. An insinuation had been made that the learned counsel's client was the financier in the conspiracy for the alleged forged will. Counsel did not deny that his client had borrowed money from Marwarees, but would call evidence to show that no part of it had been used for the purposes of the alleged conspiracy.

Mr. Kazi Kabirudin said that he did not propose to call any evidence.

Mr. Rustom Wadia said that the only evidence he intended to call was that of an old clerk of Saklatwalla who would produce a counter-foil of the receipt for Rs. 30 given by Saklatwalla for attesting a will.

Mr. Lowndes said that his client had made a long statement the evening before. His client's case was that, in December 1899, he attested a certain will; and if the document in this case was forged in April 1900, his client had nothing to do with the attestation. What he proposed to prove was that his client did attest a will in December 1899, and not in April 1900 as was alleged. That will was the will of one Purshotum Ludha, who was introduced to his client by one Petamberdas an old friend and client of his. To show that Petamber was not a bogus person, counsel would produce the press-copy book of his client, the accused, which was kept by him in the regular course of his business, and which contained letters written by the accused to Petamber. Counsel would also call a retired Forest officer of the Rajpipla State, a gentleman of undoubted credibility, to show that one Mr. Byramjee was the superior officer of Petamber, and that the latter consulted him in regard to a certain letter written by the accused on the 11th January, and which reached Petamber at the end of the month. That letter would convince the jury that the accused did attest some will, and that the attestation was made some time prior to the date on which the letter was written and posted by the accused. If he succeeded in proving the genuineness of the letter, it would appear that it was impossible for the accused to have attested the alleged forged will, in April 1900. The other evidence counsel would call would be to show the respectability of his client. Mr. Lowndes, in conclusion, referred to the well-to-do position of hisclient, and said there was a total absence of inducement to make the accused join the alleged conspiracy.

Mr. S. B. Kapadia, pleader, examined by Mr. Branson, said he appeared in the case for Calliandas. Narandas came to his office on the 14th February, when Calliandas was there. Narandas told witness he wanted to make a statement in regard to Calliandas's case, and as witness had to leave at once for court, he asked Narandas to write out his statement. That day when he returned to his office from the court, the statement was handed to him by his clerk. That statement was put in when Narandas was cross-examined.

Motilal Lalloobhoy, a clerk of Mr. Kapadia, gave evidence corroborative of his master's statement.

Other witnesses were called on behalf of Calliandas, who made a statement as indicated by Mr. Branson in his opening remarks.

Mahomed Jaffer Ispahanee, examined by Mr. Lowndes, said he was a commission agent and knew the last accused, Banatwalla, for twenty-five or thirty years. He had always borne a good character, and witness had never heard anything against him.

Cowasjee Sorabjee, examined by Mr. Lowndes, said he was employed by the accused Bannatwalla to collect the rents of his chawls, and to sell goods in his two cloth-shops, and had held a power of attorney from him. Witness was familiar with accused's handwriting. Witness had never known him to be in pecuniary difficulties.

Cross-examined by Mr. Scott.—Witness had heard that the accused Bannatwalla had mortgaged his chawls for Rs. 2000. He had closed his shop in the cloth market.

At this stage the court adjourned till 12 o'clock today (Wednesday.)

THE CHARGE AGAINST A PARSEE AT THANA.

THE trial of Mr. Kavasji Sorabji Hormasji Batliwalla on a charge of causing the death of Kanoo Dassa, a Kathi lad, by a rash and negligent act, was proceeded with before Mr. Sitaram Damodar F. C. Magistrate of Thana on Monday.

Khan Bahadur Dr. R. R. Dadina, who had made a "post mortem" examination of the body of the deceased, lad, said that Kanoo was about seventeen years of age. On examination, witness found that his spleen was ruptured, the cause of which might have been a shock.

There were no external marks of violence on the body. A push with an umbrella might have caused the injury.

Cross-examined by Mr. Ghamut, witness said the average weight of a healthy spleen was from six to seven ounces, while the weight of the lad's spleen was five times as much. Moreover, it was very soft and diseased. A push with an umbrella, if given with some force, might leave a mark on the abdomen, but an abnormally large spleen was liable to rupture even by a fall.

Mr. Kawasji, on being questioned by the Court, said he was a landed proprietor and resided in Bombay. He denied having given the lad a push with his umbrella. He further stated that deceased asked him for his wages, when he referred him to the man who had employed him. Kanoo caught hold of him, and, to extricate himself from his grasp, witness gave him a push. He did not know whether deceased was employed at his bungalow, as it was the duty of the contractor to engage workmen.

Mr. Ghamut having addressed the Court, the Magistrate framed a charge of causing hurt against the defendant.

The case was remanded till Friday to enable defendant to call witnesses.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	4	3	10
B Mandvi, Chukla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	18	23	36
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	27	21	32
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahaluxmi	9	12	18
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	12	22	47
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	17	10	16
G Mahim and Worlee	19	17	28
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-resident and unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	2	8
Total	106	110	195
Total plague deaths to date	112,258	96,231	
Same date last year	71	93	243

MORTALITY OF THE WEEK.

The total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending yesterday was 1,363 as against 1,676 during the previous week. Of the total number, 664 died of plague which showed a decrease of 166 over the preceding week. The total mortality of the corresponding period of the last year was 1,667 which included 681 death from plague.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Dunottar, 2,271 tons, Captain Mackenzie, will sail to-day, for Dunkirk, with a general cargo.

THE Austrian Lloyd's S N Co's steamer Moravia, 2,298 tons Captain E McCozzi, sailed yesterday for Calcutta, with the same bottom cargo.

THE Hansa Line steamer Argenfels, 3,658 tons, Captain W Tegge, will sail to-day, for Hamburg and Bremen via Karachi with a general cargo.

THE steamer Foreric, 2,591 tons, Captain R White, arrived in harbour on Monday evening, from Rangoon, 4th April, with a cargo of rice.

THE Austrian Lloyd's S N Co's steamer Pollnce, 1,279 tons Captain A Foreste, sailed yesterday, for Trieste, with a general cargo and passengers.

THE steamer Telena, 3,123 tons, Captain M Fack, will sail to-day, for Marseilles, with a general cargo, and Mr and Mrs Osburn and child as passengers.

THE steamer Springwell, 1,943 tons, Captain J Chisholm, arrived in harbour on the 14th instant, from Middlesbro, 2nd February, via London and Karachi, with a general cargo and 900 cases of explosives.

THE Bombay and Persia S N Co's steamer Mozaffari, 1,387 tons, Captain T L Molony, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Busreh, 5th April with a general cargo, 54 cases opium, 60 mules, and 33 deck passengers.

THE Austrian Lloyd's S N Co's steamer Franz Ferdinand, 3,860 tons, Captain A Martinolich, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Calcutta 4th April, via Madras and Colombo, with a general cargo and two cabin and one deck passenger.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Dwarka, 759 tons, Captain W H Rothwell, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Karachi, 12th April, via Kathiawar coast ports, with a general cargo, Captain Barton, Mr Coppleston, Mr Charles and 204 deck.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Kola, 497 tons, Captain J C Tice, sailed yesterday, for Karachi via Kathiawar coast ports, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Lieut-Col A Cubitts, Mr W Wallers, Mr C Kencaid, Mr and Mrs Swamy, and three children and 200 deck.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—APRIL 16.

MEN-OF-WAR AND ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

H M S Plassey .... Torpedo G'boat
R I M S Canning......Gordon ......Wet Basin.....R I Marine
R I M S Minto.........Vale.........Wet Basin........I Marine
a Torpedo Boat No 100...Lt Comdr J C S Hughes, R N
a Do No 102...Lt Comdr J C Powles, R N
a Do No 103...Lt Comdr W P Koe, R N
Margareta .... 150 Baddeley..........R I Marine

INDIAN DEFENCE RESERVE.

2 Torpedo Boats ....

a Indian Defence Ships.

VESSELS IN THE STREAM.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	From	Date.	Agent.
H M S Fox		F S Pelham			Royal Navy
H M S Assaye		Lambert			Torpedo Catcher
H M S Magdala		Hewett, R N			Turret Ship
Tenasserim					Receiving Hulk
H M S Abyssinia					Turret-ship
Torpedo Boat No 101					I Defence
Torpedo Boat No 104					I Defence
R I M S Clive		Piffard			R I Marine
Valetta	2974	Cubbitt	China	12-2	P & O Co
Parramatta	2941	Cook			P & O Co
Jeiunga		Hutchinson			M M & Co
Assyria	969	Skinner	P Gulf		M M & Co
Lodovich	2236	Bartulich			W & A Graham & Co
Canara	1216	Henderson			M M & Co
Queen Alexandra	2788	Harris			Standard Oil Co
Orwell	2415	Frame			Bombay Co
Chusan	2822	Daniell			P & O Co
Ailsawald	1881	Hardy			Bombay Co
Henry Bolckow	639	DeLorne			B & P S N Co
Rajah	3631	Leftwich			T M & Co
Culna	1164	Watson			M M & Co
Itola	3361	Livingstone			M M & Co
Moravia	2268	McCozzi			A L S N Co
Evangeline	2133	Coode			A Montecliff
Hermod	830	Olsen			Bombay Co
Maton	2623	Page			K N & Co
Adona	2178	Smith			S Oil Co
F Ferdinand	3860	Martinolich			A L S N Co
Springwell	1943	Chisholm			M M & Co
Mozaffari	1387	Molony			B & P S N Co

ARRIVALS.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
14	Springwell s	Chisholm	Middlesbro, Feb 2
	Foreric s	White	Rangoon, April 4
15	F Ferdinand s	Martinolich	Calcutta, April 4
	Dwarka s	Rothwell	Karachi, April 12
	Mozaffari s	Molony	Busreh, April 15

DEPARTURES.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
15	Somali s	Birch	Zanzibar, &c
	Deo Balduino s	Canepa	Genoa, &c
	Polluce s	Foreste	Trieste
	Kola s	Tice	Karachi, &c
	Moravia s	McCozzi	Calcutta

THE following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Steamer Telena, Falck, for Marseilles.
,, Dunottar, Mackenzie, for Dunkirk.
,, Argenfels, Tegge, for Hamburg via Karachi.

DAILY EXPORTS.—APRIL 15.

FOR LONDON.

Victoria s—2 bales carpets and 4 bales cotton durries, Fleming Shaw and Co; 21 bales hides and skins, R M Kooka; 129 bales hides and skins, W and A Graham and Co; 225 bales hemp, H Govindjee; 237 cwt olibanum, 65 cwt wild mace and 19 cwt old rubber, A Gangjee; 94 cwt wild mace, D Ramjee; 23 bales hemp, B Visram and Co; 8 bales hides, B Esmail.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Gairloch s—1,950 cwt wheat sweeping M Jairam.

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Dunolly s—55 bales cotton waste, Tyabjee and Co; 6,903 cwt linseed and 1,000 mowraseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 125 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 49 cwt wild mace, A. Gangjee; 700 cwt myrabollams, Cosser and Co; 1,000 cwt lentils, A Blascheck and Co.

Argenfels s—220 bales cotton, Prier de Saone and Co.

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Gairloch s—350 bales cotton and 702 cwt rapeseed, Ralli Brothers; 350 bales cotton, Prier de Saone and Co.

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Bolton Hall s—4,002 cwt poppyseed, A Blascheck and Co; 1,000 cwt poppyseed, E D Sassoon and Co.

Kt Errant s—980 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 1,001 cwt myrabollams, C Purbut and Co; 165 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co; 173 bales cotton fly, K Visram; 220 cwt gum, G Sojpal; 2,001 cwt rapeseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 110 bales cotton, Volkart Brothers.

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Izdumi Maru s—300 bales cotton, Tata and Co; 50 bales cotton, Ewing and Co.

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Bombay 16th April, 1902

1. Members who have not already returned their Arms and Equipment to Head-quarters are requested to do so at once, as they are required for inspection by the Civil Chief Master Armourer.

2. The Annual Regimental Prize Distribution will take place at the Town Hall, on Friday, the 25th instant, at 9 p.m.

Officers Commanding Companies are requested to make their own arrangements for their Prize lists and Prizes.

The Bombay Volunteer Rifles (Rifle Association) Prizes will be distributed at the same time.

At the conclusion of the Prize giving there will be a short Dance supplemented by a few songs. Admission to the prize giving this year will be by Ticket for all except Ladies and Members of the Bombay Volunteer Rifles and Staff who will attend in Uniform.

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TENNIS IN BOMBAY.

THE GYMKHANA TOURNAMENT.

ON the Gymkhana tennis courts last evening two games in connection with the annual tournament were decided. In the first round of the doubles Messrs. Fischer and Barraclough beat Messrs Harington and Gray 6-5, 5-6, 6-5, after a well contested game. In the second round of the singles Mr. Coombes met Mr. Henson and won by 6-4, 6-4.

THE CORPORATION MEETING.

IT was incorrectly stated in our report of the Corporation meeting yesterday that Mr. K. N. Kabraji proposed the re-election of Mr. D. E. Wacha as President of the Corporation. As a metter of fact Mr. Kabraji proposed the of election Mr Mulji B. Barbhaya

THE chief English nurse at the Brummana Hospital at Mount Lebanon, Miss Alice Wood, together with a Syrian nurse named Louise Rizk, were driving a dying female Druse patient to her home in a village among the hills when the horses became restive and dragged the vehicle and its occupants over a precipice. The patient was killed on the spot. The two nurses were brought back to the hospital, where both died in afe—

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 1902.

PEACE IN SIGHT.

IN the House of Commons on Monday, Mr. Balfour, in reply to a question, admitted that a message had been received from Lord Kitchener, communicating the proposals of the Boer leaders. A reply, it was further stated, has been sent to South Africa—the result presumably of Mr. Chamberlain's audience with the King—and a further communication is now expected. The course followed is precisely similar to that adopted a year ago. But the "further communication" was then a refusal to accept our terms. The reply anticipated to-day is, if Mr. Balfour's observations have any significance, that peace will be restored within the next few weeks The "real negotiations" referred to in a former telegram may now be beginning, for we cannot suppose that weeks must elapse before the delegates acknowledge the receipt of the British acceptance of "terms to which they could agree." No, the correspondents have apparently run well ahead of events. The Boers have not yet submitted, but there can be little doubt that peace is well in sight. It is not difficult to imagine that his Majesty is anxious for the restoration of peace before the day of his Coronation. But, it must not be forgotten that the war with South Africa has been a war of the people—the people of the whole empire—that there is scarcely a family which has not sent a representative to fight for his country, and rather would they have the Coronation Day mark a recrudescence of hostilities than that peace should be obtained at the cost of prestige. Our telegrams sufficiently serve to index this feeling. The Colonies, we are assured, are watching the progress of events with the greatest solicitude. Australia and Canada would have Government stand by the terms of a year ago. New Zealand claims that England shall not recede an inch from the previous demand of unconditional surrender, and we find that Premier Seddon went even further. He would cancel the magnanimous offer of March and April last year, and would not now concede one foot of land to the Boers. The proclamation of peace is a consummation most devoutly to be wished, yet, to use the expressive phrase of a recent Colonial writer, the dove must not be purchased at the price of a white peacock. If the Government concede one jot or tittle beyond that which was offered a year ago, they stultify the nation and seal their own doom.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach deemed it prudent to prepare the country for peace. It is a common experience that after a long war, the difficulties of the victors are greater than those of the vanquished. "The conquered have their attention directed to the reparation of losses, and are inspired by a patriotic desire to submit to sacrifices for the sake of their country. The victors are in the frame of mind which expects everything to be easy, and they have been accustomed to direct their energies to the business of overpowering foreign enemies, and to hide their eyes from the constant watchfulness required by the people at home." Thus, a political writer at the close of the Peninsular War, whose words, doubtless, Sir Michael had in his mind, when he observed that if peace came in a few weeks, we must remember that war was costly to terminate as well as to wage. We must provide gratuities and bounties for our soldiers, must maintain a considerable force in the newly conquered country, and must provide for the relief and re-settlement of the Transvaal and Orange Colony, and the rebuilding and re-stocking of farms. The maintenance of a strong force in South Africa will be necessary for some time to come, for peace proclaimed, order has to be restored, and troops must be available to quell with the utmost promptitude any tendency to rebellion or riot, which may, at any moment, show itself among the foreign adventurers and rabble which forms so large a proportion of the enemy still in the field, and whose occupation, when peace is restored, will be gone. The re-settlement of the country and the rebuilding and re-stocking of the farms were contemplated under the peace proposals of last year. The provision of gratuities and bounties for our soldiers is a paramount duty which, unfortunately, is frequently overlooked. Thousands of them—ill-paid both officers and men—have fallen from death and disease, thousands again are permanently maimed and incapacitated from earning a living, and thousands of time-expired men will be out of employment for a considerable time. The dust of those who have fallen make roads over which the merchandise of the country may penetrate into the interior, and over which its mineral wealth may find its way into the coffers of those who have sat at home and criticised. It is for those who will profit by the annexation of these two countries to pay the men who have annexed them.

As it is argued that the whole country will benefit indirectly, every householder, rich and poor, is to contribute. It is not difficult to believe that there has been a difference of opinion among the Ministers on the subject of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's Budget. It is one, alas, which will weigh more heavily on the poor than on the well-to-do. The poor man consumes more grain than the rich man, and taxes on flour, meal and corn are direct imposts on the lower classes, which they will bitterly resent. But the Chancellor of the Exchequer aims at the middle and upper classes with his increase of the income-tax, and the stamp duty on cheques and bills. Tea, tobacco and sugar are untouched. So are armorial bearings and motor-cars, guns, game licenses, capital duties and passports, all of which might very well have been amended. A deficit of over fifty-five millions was estimated last year. The actual is ten millions short of that amount, and we do not see that corn and flour need have been taxed to produce a sum which might have been raised without difficulty by a trifling impost upon the ground rents of commercial London. Still there are bills to be paid, and money must be found to pay them. The expenditure was incurred light-heartedly, and payment should be made with as good a face as possible. But the effect of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's Budget will, doubtless, be to strike heavily against the prevalent national spirit of jingoism. The people who chose the tune have now to pay the piper, which is a very different thing. We must be magnanimous to our enemies, but we must also be just to ourselves and in the settlement of South Africa, the British working classes must not be called upon to buy cattle for well-to-do Boer farmers. Every claim must be fully and carefully investigated by a competent authority, and pecuniary assistance given only in such cases as are indisputably in need. The Boer is "slim," and we, as a nation, are unsuspecting. The settlement and reorganisation of the Colonies will give as much trouble as their conquest did, and the work has yet to begin.

THE COLABA OBSERVATORY.

IT will, probably, surprise many people to be told that in Bombay last year there were no fewer than thirty-three earthquakes. The statement is made on the authority of the delicate instruments at the Colaba Observatory, where, besides the earth tremors described as "quakes," the seismographs recorded 655 small and local movements of this not too solid crust of earth. Fortunately, nobody was any the worse for these seismic disturbances, and but for the registering instruments nobody would have been conscious of their occurrence. The most critical day of the year appears to have been the 9th August, when there were three "disturbances" regarded as noteworthy, crowded into the twelve hours between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Mr. Moos the Director of the Observatory tells us in his report that the first of these series of disturbances lasted one hour and forty-seven minutes, the next, which began about two hours later, lasted three hours and twenty-three minutes, and the third and most severe of the three began just over two hours after the second, and continued for two hours and three minutes. After this evidence of the accuracy with which some of them note the gentle heavings of Mother Earth, it seems unnecessary to add that all the instruments at the Observatory are in excellent order. For sometime, however, it has been intended to replace the Grubb's Declinometer with a new one, but this has not yet been received. The prospect of the introduction of electric tramway traction in Bombay has a bearing on several matters quite outside the changes in regard to the track. With an overhead system of traction some arrangement will have to be made in reference to telephone wires to avoid the possibility of accidents. It has also been pointed out that the electricity applied to the trams would have an effect on the magnetic record of the Observatory unless measures were taken to protect it. Magnetic observations have been carried on at Colaba for a period of sixty years, and the valuable series of records thus accumulated is second only to those of Greenwich in the length of time they cover. So that there may be no interruption in the continuity of the magnetic observations, it is proposed that they shall be undertaken at a new site protected from the influence of the electricity of the tramways. The situation of this site is not indicated, but it is stated to be in the neighbourhood of Bombay. The matter is being considered by Government, but it is necessary that sanction for the change should be given in time to enable simultaneous observations to be made long enough at the old and new sites for comparison before they are discontinued at the present Observatory.

THE OUTLOOK ON THE RAND.

DURING the last six months a wonderful metamorphosis has come about at Johannesburg. Gradually the city is assuming the busy aspect it wore before the war, and week by week the change is becoming more apparent. But it must not be supposed that this activity as yet approaches anything like the normal state of affairs on the Rand. As a matter of fact, such a condition of business as now exists would have been described as "stagnation" before the war. However, the lethargy and langour which prevailed three months ago, has at length been set aside, and a fair bid has been made to recommence business in earnest. It is hardly to be expected, however, that the prosperity of olden days will be realised, while the restrictions on the importation of goods remain as they are; indeed, the first step to a successful and complete inauguration of the whole of the business of the Rand, is a substantial relaxation of these restrictions. Of course, too, there are still numbers of stamps lying idle, and the level of prosperity attained previous to the war. will not be reached until at any rate the majority of the stamps are again in operation. Then, there has been a boom in the Share Market, one feature of which has been that local influences have had no effect upon prices. Stocks that before the war were considered valueless have, during the last three months, been eagerly taken up. A big boom is being looked forward to, and business people are preparing for it as quickly as they can. There is a buoyant feeling everywhere, and everybody seems to be satisfied that the prosperity of the Johannesburg of the future will be quite equal to the prosperity of the Johannesburg of the past. An indication of this faith is to be found in the fact that property is increasing immensely in value, and seems likely to continue to do so. The centre of Johannesburg is undergoing extensive change. Business houses are casting round to find eligible sites for new buildings. All these are signs that a time of prosperity and success is anticipated in the near future, and coupled with the buoyant state of the European share markets, prove that the period of fear has passed. At present the scarcity of native labour prevents mining operations being commenced on a large scale. But it need not be assumed that because native labour is scarce now, it will be always so on the Rand. Indeed, the Native Labour Association promises to be a great boon to the mines. It has not yet got into full swing, and on that account the mines, which have already received permission to resume crushing operations, have had to postpone starting from week to week. When operations are once more fully inaugurated, there is every reason to suppose that the cost of working will be greatly reduced; the anticipated reduction in the working cost is estimated at from four shillings to six shillings a ton. This will enable mining operations to be carried on not only in proved ground, but in ground which in the past has never offered a sufficient margin of profit. Enormous sums are to be expended in this way alone. Bearing all these things in mind, one need not be surprised that the market has been buoyant in London and on the Continent.

A TRAINING SHIP FOR CALCUTTA.

SEVERAL times during the last decade attempts have been made in Calcutta to throw open the sea as a career to Eurasian boys by means of a training ship, but the scheme, which has everything in its favour, has always been shelved in consequence of the objections raised by some of the officials who were consulted. A new interest has now been given to the scheme owing to the indefatigable efforts of Mr. James Inke, who has won over to the cause the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal and Mr. Richards, M. P., who was recently in India on a visit, besides most of the great shipping houses in Calcutta. All that is asked for from the Admiralty is the free gift of an obsolete war-ship, which can be moored at Diamond Harbour. The money necessary for the payment of the staff and keeping the boys can, the promoters are confident, be raised in Calcutta. The latter do not contemplate making the training ship an institution for the instruction of possible sailors only. The main idea is that every kind of technical instruction should be supplied, so that boys unfit for, or who dislike, the sea might find employment elsewhere. It is proposed that for boys who wish to enter upon a sea career, the training-ship shall be the means of supplying not only the mercantile marine, but the Royal Navy. If this proposal finds favour with the Admiralty, the question of providing opportunities for Eurasians to enlist in the Army will probably come up again.

IT is expected that the Indian Contingent for the Coronation will be absent about three months in all from the date of embarkation to re-arrival at Bombay. The Native officers and men will do a certain amount of sight-seeing in England.

H. H. MAHARANA SRI CHHATRASINHGI, Raja Saheb of Rajpipla, has taken Eden Hall at Matheran for the hot weather, and left Nandod for that hill station on the 14th instant.

AT the last General Meeting in London of the Telegraph Construction and Maintenance Company, one of the oldest and most important telegraph-manufacturing Companies in existence, Mr. P. V. Lake, formerly of the Indian Telegraphs, was elected to a seat on the Board. The Chairman, in notifying the election, spoke of the Indian Telegraph Department as "one of the best in the world."

MRS. C.S. NICHOLSON, who died at her residence in Strand Road a few days ago, was, says the "Rangoon Times," the oldest European inhabitant. She came to Rangoon from Calcutta with her husband in the early fifties just after the war, and except for a brief trip in 1863-64, she never left the country. She was the first Englishwoman to visit Burma, and often used to tell how the Burmese waited in crowds outside her house to see the only white woman they had ever set eyes on come out. Mrs. Nicholson died at the age of 79 leaving two sons and three daughters.

THE following good story comes from Ceylon:—A tea planter—he had a glass eye—was very desirous to go and have a day's shooting with a friend, but he knew that immediately the natives, who were at work on the plantation, got wind that he was away, would not do a stroke of work. How was he to get off?—that was the question. After much thought an idea struck him. Going up to the men, he addressed them thus: "Although I myself will be absent, yet shall leave one of my eyes to see that you do your work." And, much to the surprise and bewilderment of the natives, he took out the glass-eye, and placed it on the stump of a tree and left. For some time the natives worked like elephants, now and then casting furtive glances at the eye to see if it was still watching, but at last one of them, seizing his tin in which he carried his food, approached the tree, and gently placed it over the eye. As soon as they saw that they were not being watched, they all lay down and slept peacefully until sunset.

ALL classes enlisted in the Native Army will be represented at the Coronation Durbar next January. All the four Commands will send regiments to Delhi; and thus there will not be merely Sikhs, Gurkhas, Punjabis, Dogras, Pathans, Hindustanis, Rajputs, Jats, the classes best known in Upper India; but Tamils, Moplahs and others from Madras; Mahrattas, Mers, Gujars, Baluchis from the Bombay Command; and Bhils from Rajputana. No such gathering of the races from which the Indian Army draws its recruits, has ever before been seen. The Imperial Service Corps also will send their representatives, and some 30,000 men in all will be in camp. At Rawalpindi, in April 1885, during the visit of the Amir of Kabul, at Delhi Camp of Exercise in the cold weather of 1885-86, and at the Lahore Durbar in November 1894, the three largest military Camps of late years, the troops belonged entirely to Punjab and Bengal Districts.

THE following letter, sent to the "Pioneer" for publication, deserves to be printed as an illustration of Babu English at the beginning of the twentieth century:—Upon the field of strictly correlated and comprehensible facts of events, may be mentioned the depravity of the constables. The molestation of the peaceable inhabitants by police peons are always productive of a wholesale massacre and a social revolution, very difficult to put down. Living, as we are, at a time of great political, industrial and intellectual expansion, it is our duty to work out a great idea in continuous and insatiate efforts—the idea of reforming the police. The task is transcendently easy, if not difficult. In the working out of this fundamentally important matter of reforming the police, the political atmosphere should be charged with electricity until the high-handedness of the police is checked as far as possible. A tornado was exampled fury sweeps over the ocean of coommoners when they hear the story of the recent Cawnpore rebellion—a rebellion formidable in itself caused by the flagitious depravity of the police peon. Among other evidences of recognition may be mentioned their forcibly outraging the modesty of females. The husbands and relatives of these unfortunate females would apply to the Police Superintendent for punishing these villains and the gentleman with his bloated belly and cigar in his mouth and with a d—d long obstinate face, would only side those peons and give them too much power. O ye Lord Curzon, thou dilettante professor to all politicians!—where can we find loyalty if the police peons go no doing such atrocious deeds. Further they see no difference between an illiterate brute and an Encyclopedian politician. Their power should be checked as far as possible.—Vox-populi.

"THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES."

SHERLOCK HOLMES REDIVIVUS.

SINCE the day when Dr. Conan Doyle wrote "The Final Problem" and the waters of the mountain torrent closed over the head of Mr. Sherlock Holmes, posterity has confirmed the ruling which placed Sherlock Holmes as the greatest detective of whom we have record.

Since then Mr. Sherlock Holmes has come to life in cheap editions, sixpenny editions, editions de luxe, six-shilling editions, and all kinds of editions. The magic of the old stories has not worn thin. Sherlock Holmes began life as a character in fiction. He then became a national institution. He may become a solar myth.

For the present, however, his methods may be studied in "The Hound of the Baskervilles," Dr. Doyle's latest publication.

As I understand it, writes a reviewer in the "Daily Express," we owe this story to some considerable extent to a suggestion made by Mr. B. Fletcher Robinson.

"My dear Robinson," writes Dr. Conan Doyle. "It was to your account of a west-country legend that this tale owes its inception."

The legend is a striking one. The Baskervilles were, we are told, an ancient race, landholders in the west country. At the time of the Great Rebellion the "Manor of Baskerville was held by Hugo of that name, nor can it be gainsaid that he was a most wild, profane, and godless man. There was in him a certain wanton and cruel humour which made his name a by-word through the west. It chanced that this Hugo came to love (if, indeed, so dark a passion may be known under so bright a name) the daughter of a yeoman who held lands near the Baskerville estate."

A WILD NIGHT RIDE.

How Hugo Baskerville carried off the maiden, imprisoned her in an upper room, while he held wild revel with his fierce comrades in the hall, and how the maiden escaped are all set forth. Hugo sprang upon the table among the trenchers of the revellers, and swore that he would that very night render his body and soul to the Powers of Evil if he might but overtake the wench.

He and his wild company set the hounds upon her track, and Hugo took horse and started in pursuit. There follows an account of the wild ride they rode. A shepherd told them "I have seen more than that, for Hugo Baskerville passed me upon his black mare, and there ran mute behind him such a hound of hell as God forbid should ever be at my heels."

And then the story goes on to tell how the black mare of Hugo came home riderless, and how, at the head of a deep dip, the hounds came slinking back.

Three dare-devil roysterers rode on. This is what they saw:—

"The moon was shining bright upon the clearing and there in the centre lay the unhappy maid where she had fallen, dead of fear and fatigue. But it was not the sight of her body, nor yet was it that of the body of Hugo Baskerville lying near her which raised the hair upon the heads of these three dare-devil roysterers, but it was that, standing over Hugo, and plucking at his throat, there stood a foul thing. A great black beast, shaped like a hound, yet larger than any hound that ever mortal eye has rested upon and, even as they looked, the thing tore the throat out of Hugo Baskerville, on which, as it turned its blazing eyes and dripping jaws upon them, the three skrieked with fear and rode for dear life, still screaming, across the moor."

Such is the legend which had the power to draw the historic figure of Mr. Sherlock Holmes once more into contemporary fiction. You, who live in the country, take the book and read the legend, and then set out to walk in to your nearest village in the twilight along the lonely roads, and I am mistaken, or you will find yourself (if your nerves are in any way out of order) looking back over your shoulder.

MR. SHERLOCK HOLMES.

Sherlock Holmes, of 221B, Baker-street (if I owned 221, Baker-street, I would paint a B after the number and add a sum to the rent) is discovered in the first chapter at breakfast. A client has called on him overnight, and has left his stick behind him. Holmes deduces the man's character and circumstances from the stick. Holmes is as much Holmes as ever—precise, accurate, confident, a little theatrical (a characteristic which forms a foil to his good qualities).

Dr. Mortimer (the owner of the stick) enters, and, after one of those scenes which the introduction of a new client to Mr. Sherlock Holmes always provides, and which are invariably intensely interesting, the newcomer draws from his pocket the legend of the Hound of the Baskervilles, and reads it. He himself is a doctor in country practice in Devonshire, living close to Baskerville Hall and he next reads an extract from the "Devon County Chronicle" describing the strange death of Sir Charles Baskerville.

Dr. Mortimer tells of the strange influences which the legend of the Hound exercised over Sir Charles; how he was continually asking him if he had seen a hound upon the moor. One night Sir Charles was found in the Yew Alley of his own grounds. Dr. Mortimer was sent for. He describes to Holmes how he found footprints near the body of Sir Charles, who had died with no physical injury upon him.

Footprints?

Footprints.

A man's or a woman's?

Dr. Mortimer looked strangely at us for an instant, and his voice sank almost to a whisper as he answered:—

Mr. Holmes, they were the footprints of a gigantic hound."

FOUL PLAY.

Assured that there was some foul play in the death of Sir Charles Baskerville, Dr. Mortimer had called upon Sherlock Holmes to enlist his services in behalf of the heir, Sir Henry Baskerville, who was just about to land in England.

And here the reviewer must in common fairness withhold his pen. The reader must follow for himself the strange occurrences that greeted Sir Henry Baskerville's arrival at the Northumberland Hotel. How Holmes and Watson shadowed a man in London and asked a cabman the name of his fare and what answer they got.

What happened when Watson went down with Sir Henry Baskerville to the Hall; the baying they heard upon the wild and desolate moor; the telling description of the Grimpen mire; how the Hound killed a man upon the moor; how Watson stalked the man whom he supposed to be the criminal upon the moor, and whose shadow it was that was thrown upon the brown rocks; how Holmes completed his case; how Sir Henry Baskerville fell in love, and with whom—all these things the reader must find out for himself. He must also read how Sir Henry Baskerville ran screaming down the moor road, and what it was that came bounding with "a thin, continuous patter" behind him.

The historical romances of Dr. Conan Doyle embody perhaps the finest work which he has given us, though, we must not forget "The Great Boer War" and the white paper edition in which he has defended the Army in South Africa from its traducers.

But however good his other work may be, that strange blend of narrative, characterisation, and, mystery which we find in "The Hound of the Baskervilles," as in all the other Sherlock Holmes chronicles, gives to it and to them a unique stamp, of which it is unlikely that the world will for a very longt ime to come grow tired.

ON Wednesday, Mr. Kingsford, Joint Magistrate of Alipore, after a protracted hearing, disposed of the case in which the Head Clerk of the Municipal Department of the 24-Pergunnahs Collectorate was charged with having stolen some valuable Government Records from a confidential box and destroyed the same. The accused pleaded not guilty, and stated in his defence that the case was maliciously brought against him in order to get him into trouble. The Magistrate found the accused guilty, and sentenced him to eighteen months' rigorous imprisonment.

TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

BOER LOSSES.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

STATEMENT BY MR. BALFOUR.

LONDON, April 14.

A despatch from Lord Kitchener says that since the 7th instant, 55 Boers have been killed, 43 wounded and 172 made prisoners or surrendered.

Mr. Balfour, in reply to a question, said that Lord Kitchener had communicated a message from the leaders on Saturday, to which a reply had been sent, and a further communication was now expected.

THE WAR BUDGET.

DUTIES ON CORN AND FLOUR.

INCREASED INCOME TAX.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, in his Budget, suspends the sinking fund, raises the income-tax one penny, increases the stamp duty on cheques and bills to twopence.

Tea, tobacco and sugar are untouched.

A duty of three-pence per hundred-weight on corn is imposed.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, in his Budget, imposes a duty of five-pence per hundred-weight on flour meal.

The new taxation, he reckons will produce £5,160,000.

He proposes to borrow 32 millions and obtain the remainder by Exchequer drafts.

The expenditure for 1903, is £174,609,000 including war charges which are £14,780,000 less than for 1902.

The deficit is 45½ millions.

Sir Michael said he must ask Parliament for a grant-in-aid to the Sugar Colonies pending the abolition of the Bounties.

If peace came in a few weeks we must, he said, remember that war was costly to terminate as well as to wage. We must provide gratuities and bounties for our soldiers, besides providing for the maintenance of a considerable force in South Africa, the relief and re-settlement of the Transvaal and Orange Colony, and the re-building and re-stocking of farms.

Sir W. V. Harcourt, in the debate which followed, vigorously opposed the Corn Tax.

LONDON, April 15.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach in his Budget estimates includes forty millions for nine months war expenditure in maintaining the troops at their present strength, and another sixteen millions are provided in case the war continues through the year.

Sir Michael said he had hopes of a happy result of the present conferences, but could not allow them to influence him.

THE GRANT TO SUGAR GROWING COLONIES.

Although Sir Michael Hicks-Beach did not state the amount, it appears from the vote that half a million will be applied as grant-in-aid to sugar growing Colonies.

PRESS OPINIONS ON THE BUDGET.

The newspapers reception of the Budget as a whole is decidedly favourable.

The "Daily News" and "Chronicle" condemn the taxation of cereals as a reversal of the fundamental principle of British finance.

LORD WOLSELEY'S RETURN FROM THE CAPE.

Lord Wolseley sails for England from the Cape to-morrow.

ANOTHER RAILWAY ACCIDENT IN THE TRANSVAAL.

MANY SOLDIERS KILLED AND INJURED.

Thirteen soldiers have been killed and thirteen injured in a railway accident near Patchefstroom.

THE STRIKE IN BELGIUM.

The strike in Belgium is very extensive and it is estimated that 50,000 men are now idle.

IMMIGRATION IN CANADA.

EXCLUSION OF CHINESE.

The Canadian Immigration Commission reports that the restriction imposed by Japan sufficiently provides against the dangers of an influx of large numbers of Japanese into Canada.

The Commission advocates the ultimate exclusion of Chinese with an increase in the poll tax to five hundred dollars in the meantime.

THE CONSTABULARY IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Lord Milner has stated that the Transvaal and Orange Colony will be able on the 1st July to bear the cost of 6,000 Constabulary, and that Great Briain had hitherto borne the whole cost of 10,000.

OBITUARY.

The death is announced of Sir Thomas Seccombe.

THE HADDA MULLA AT KABUL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, April 15.

The report of the Hadda Mullah having reached Kabul is confirmed. He arrived there on the 29th March and has been accommodated at a mosque by the Amir's orders, his followers who number about a thousand remaining a stage out of the city.

THE VICEROY'S VISIT TO DELHI.

The Foreign Secretary, and Private Secretary to the Viceroy and the Director General of Telegraphs proceed this week to Delhi where they will meet the Viceroy.

THE WORLD'S RACQUET CHAMPIONSHIP.

ALLAHABAD, April 15

A London cablegram to the "Pioneer," dated 14th April, says that in the World's Racquet Championship second part Latham beat Drowne by four games to one, winning the match by eight games to one.

THE VICEROY AT HYDERABAD.

SOLDIER ATTACKED BY A BEAR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD (DECCAN), April 14.

The Viceroy and staff after breakfast yesterday trollied out six miles and rode about a couple of miles to the machans. After Major Afsur Dowlah had appointed the different positions, the beat commenced.

Just as the beaters got on to the hill, a tiger broke through them, and managed to get away without a shot being fired.

A little while after a bear attacked one of the infantrymen, knocked him down and made for the man's head. Owing to his headdress, the man got off with only a slight bruise on his shoulder.

The day's shoot was unproductive.

April 15.

The Viceroy and Lady Curzon, accompanied by their staff, left here last evening by special train, and are due at Jalgaon at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The Resident and the Prime Minister were present at the station to bid their Excellencies good-bye.

A salute was fired at Secunderabad to announce their departure.

LORD AMPTHILL AT COIMBATORE.

PRESENTATION OF ADDRESSES.

Lord Ampthill, at Coimbatore, yesterday, received two addresses from the local Municipal Corporation and the landholders of the district.

In the latter address a request was made for permission for the payment of Government revenue by money orders.

In replying, the Governor said that the system had been given a trial for three years in the Presidency, and had to be abandoned. Very few persons availed themselves of the privilege, and those who did so were not non-resident landholders, but litigant parties, who sought to set up frivolous claims to lands in dispute by the payment of Government dues by means of postal orders.

In view, however, of the recent reduction in the money order commission for five rupees, he would reconsider the desirability of giving the system a further trial.

Another question raised was the question of allowing an absentee landlord, in the event of sale of his land for the arrears of revenue, the option of redeeming it within a month.

His Excellency declined to entertain the proposal as it would introduce an uncertain factor in all the sales, and would be liable to prejudice intending purchasers.

There were also the usual forest grievances put forward in the addresses, which elicited very sympathetic replies from the Governor.

His Excellency inspected an exhibition of a large number of the local forest, agricultural and industrial products.

QUEEN VICTORIA COMMEMORATION FUND.

CALCUTTA, April 15.

The committee of the Queen Victoria Commemoration Fund, after defraying the cost of the Queen's statue, have a balance in hand of Rs. 26,000, and this sum they have resolved to hand over to the Viceroy's Fund for the All-India Memorial, on the understanding that this amount will be used to wards the cost of erecting a canopy over the statue when placed in the Victoria Hall. Pending the erection, the Building Committee have formally made over the statue to the Government of Bengal.

FERRY SERVICE ON THE BENGAL-NAGPORE RAILWAY.

The Ferry Service of the Bengal-Nagpore Railway across the Hooghly river between Shalimar point and Garden Reach has been opened for traffic. The Ferry steamer is fitted with three sets of rails, and carries twelve loaded waggons, which are hoisted on board at Shalimar and placed on deck rails, and again hoisted from the steamer on to the Port Commissioner's Railway at Garden Reach and proceed either to the Kidderpore Docks or the Eastern Bengal State Railway as may be desired.

The Ferry works expeditiously and well.

BOER PRISONERS FOR DAGSHAI.

A batch of two hundred Boer prisoners, who have taken parole, arrived at Dagshai to-day under the command of Major Gillman.

THE ALLEGED BROACH MURDER

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

BROACH, April 15.

The trial of Bomonji Pestonji and Theria was resumed to-day before Mr. LeGeyt, Sessions Judge and two assessors. The Government Pleader prosecuted, while Mr. F. P. J. Taleyarkhan, barrister, Mr. Payne, solicitor, and Mr. Naoroji pleader defended the accused. The accused stands charged under sections 304a, 323, 325 and 340 of the Penal Code. Some more witnesses for the prosecution were examined, and the case was again adjourned.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

Major Searle, 14th Bombay Infantry has sixty days' leave.

Major General Prettyman, Commanding Secunderabad, has proceeded on sixty days' leave.

It has been definitely decided to withdraw the regular troops from the Kurram Valley at the end of the current month. All the posts now held by the regular troops will then be taken over by the Kurram Militia.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, April 14.

The P. and O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. Egypt arrived from Bombay yesterday afternoon.

LONDON, April 14.

The Clan Line steamer Clan MacArthur arrived here this morning.

LIVERPOOL, April 14.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Maclaren left for Colombo, Madras and Calcutta yesterday afternoon.

The Austrian Lloyd's s. s. India, from China, left Penang for Bombay on the afternoon of the 14th instant and is expected here on the 24th inst.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, April 14.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet.
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The Manchester Market has been firm.

2 3-4 per cent. Consols	94 5-8
3 per cent. Rentes	101
3 1-2 per cent. Sterling Loan	108
3 1-2 per cent. Rupee Papers	64 3-4
Bar Silver	24 1-2

It is stated that Arabi Pasha has fled from his house in the Nasrieh quarter of Cairo and taken refuge at the residence of Minchaoui Pasha. The story goes that a few days ago some retired officers from the Sudan unexpectedly called at his house. He feared that they had come to wreak vengeance on him for having been the cause of their ruin and told his children to say that he was not at home. As soon as they had taken their departure he fled to the house of his friend, Minchaoui Pasha.

THE CORONATION OF THE KING EMPEROR.

PROPOSED ADDRESS BY THE BOMBAY PUBLIC.

A meeting of the representative citizens of Bombay was held last evening at the Municipal Council Hall, for the purpose of considering what steps should be taken to present to His Most Gracious Majesty the King-Emperor an address from the general public of Bombay on the occasion of the approaching Coronation. The meeting was very largely attended. Amongst those present were: Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Kt. the Chief Justice; Sir Jamsetji Jeejeebhoy, Bart.; Sir Dinshaw M. Petit, Bart; the Hon. Mr. Justice Candy, the Hon. Mr. Justice Fulton, the Hon. Mr. Justice Crowe, Sir Jehanghir Cawasji Jehanghir, the Hon. Sir Bhalchundra Krishna; the Hon. Mr. William Greaves, the Hon. Mr. S. M. Moses, Principal M. MacMillan, Mr. Bomanjee Dinshaw Petit, the Rev. Mr. Scott, the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola, the Hon. Mr. Gocuidas K. Parekh, Lieutenant Colonel H. P. Dimmock, Major C. B. Mayne, Mr. Sassoon J. David, Mr. R. M. Sayani, Mr. Tribhovandas Mungaldas Nathoobhoy, Mr. Hurkisondas Narotumdas, Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban, Mr. D. E. Wacha, Mr. G. Lund, Mr. James Macdonald, Mr. J. M. Dick, the Hon. Mr. Daji Abaji Khare, Mr. W. D Sheppard, Mr. Mulji B. Barbhaya, Mr. Virchund Deepchund, Khan Bahadur D. R. Chichgar, Mr. Rustom Byramji Jeyeebhoy, Mr. Byramji Nusserwanji Seervai, Dr. A. G. Viegas, Mr. K. N. Kabraji, Rao Bahadur Dhakji Kashinathji, Dr. Cawasji Hormusji, Mr. Mirza Hossein Khan, Mr. Jehanghir B. Petit, Mr. Baptista, Mr. Ruttonsey Moolji, Mr. G. N. Nadkarney, Mr. Dawoodbhoy Moosabhoy, Mr. Vijbhucandas Atmaram, Mr. J. E. Mody, Mr. R. R. Cama, Mr. Keshewji Nathoo Saylor, Mr. Jamsetji C. Jamsetji, Mr. Pestonji Nusserwanji Wadia and Mr. Kaliandas Keshewdas.

On the motion of Sir Jamsetji Jeejeebhoy, Bart. seconded by Mr. Hurkisondas Narotumdas, the Hon. Sir Lawrence Jenkins was voted to the chair.

Before proceeding with the business of the meeting, the chairman read a letter from H. H. Sir Aga Sultan Mahomedshah, the Aga Khan, regretting his inability to attend the meeting owing to ill-health and expressing his sympathy with the object of the meeting.

Mr. Rahimtoola Mahomed Sayani proposed the first resolution which was as follows:—

That it is desirable to convene a public meeting of the inabitants of Bombay at an early date with the view of voting an address of Congratulation to His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward the Seventh Emperor of India and Her Majesty Queen Alexandra on their approaching Coronation.

He said:—I have not the slightest doubt that the gentlemen here will all agree with me that it is befitting that we people of Bombay should call a public meeting of the inhabitants of Bombay and should vote an address of loyal congratulation to His Majesty the Emperor and to Her Majesty, the Empress. Bombay we all regard as urbs prima in India, and it is the second city in the Empire, and on an auspicious occasion like this Bombay, with its usual loyalty, should come forward to vote this address. I will not therefore dilate upon the subject as I have no doubt whatever that every one present here will agree with me that it is the most befitting thing that we can do.

Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban seconded and the Hon. Mr. W. Greaves supported the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

The Hon. Sir Bhalchundra proposed the second resolution which was as follows:—That a Provisional Committee consisting of the following gentlemen with power to add to their number be formed to arrange for and carry out all the necessary arrangements in connection with the Meeting:—

The Hon. Sir. Lawrence Jenkins, chairman; Sir Jamsetji Jeejeebhoy Bart.; Brigadier General Sir. James Willcocks; the Hon. Mr. Justice Crowe; the Hon. Mr. Justice Badrudin Tyebji; the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar; the Hon. Mr. P. M. Mehta; the Hon. Mr. Gokuldas K. Parekh; the Hon. Mr. W C. Hughes; the Hon. Mr. S. M, Moses; the Hon. Mr. W. Greaves; the Hon. Mr. Daji Abaji Khare; the Hon. Sir Balchandra Krishna; the Hon. Mr. H. L. Dixit; Dr. J. Pollen and Messrs. L. Rebsch, J. M. Dick, R. M. Sayani, Fazulbhoy Visram, Mulji B. Barbhaya Tribhowandas Vurjivandas, Tribhowandas Mungaldas, Darashaw R. Chichgar, G. Lund Gordhandas Gokuldas Tejpal, Chimanlal H. Setalwad and Vijbhucandas Atmaram, with the following gentlemen as provisional Secretaries: Mr. James MacDonald, Mr. D. E. Wacha, the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Mr. S. David, and Mr. Narrotum Morarji Gokuldas.

The Hon. Mr. Moses seconded, and the Hon. Mr. Khare supported the resolution, and it was carried.

On the motion of Mr. J. M. Dick seconded by Sir Jamsetji Jejeebhoy, a vote of thanks was accorded to the chairman for his able conduct in the chair and the proceedings concluded.

THE MARQUARDT CONCERT.

We are glad to hear that the booking for the Marquardt concerts on Thursday and Friday is quite brisk, in spite of the advanced season. It will be a rare treat for music lovers. The programme for to-morrow night comprises the performance by Herr Marquardt of Mendelssohn's famous concerts, Sarasate's Faust Fantasie, the Hobgoblin Dance by Bazzini, (Mrs. Gymer as Pianist) with violin and Harp Elegie by Ernst, Sauret's "The Brook" and Handel's famous Larga. Mme. Marquardt will play Zabel's Chants seraphiques and her own fantasie on the Last Rose of Summer. Mrs. Stanley Smith will sing Gounod's Ave Maria with harp and accompaniments and Mr. F. W. Gymer will sing "Good bye" by Tosti.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Peninsular, Captain T. Leigh, which is expected to arrive in Bombay on Friday next, brings the following passengers:—

Abbott, Lieut S H
Abercrombie, Mr A
Atkinson, Mr S P
Babington, Mr and Mrs S and infant
Biscett, Lieut E
Bradley Lieut R J
Baker Lieut D E K T
Barrow, Lieut R M
Burrell, Mrs
Boss Miss
Bulkley, Mr W
Clements, Lieut J E
Carter, Lieut R M
Carter, Mr S S
Colthurst, Miss M D
Clements, Mrs A W
Forbes, Miss M L
Feimann, Mr H D
Farrell, Lieut L P
Franklin, 2 Misses
Gillespie, Mr H J
Garsia, Capt
Garrett, Mrs
Grant, Capt A
Greig, Mrs A W
Harley, Lieut T W
Hagger, Lieut R L
Hyde, Mr E B
Hastie, Miss M E
Hall, Miss
Hoghton, Mr and Mrs H A
Jolliffe, Mr V
Keats, Miss
Lidbetter, Miss L
Lister, Lieut A E J
Loch, Lieut E A
Langley, Miss
Lambert, Col W
Murray, Mr W
Marshall, Mr R W
Mackentosh Mr J
Morris, Capt G M
Massy, 2nd Lieut S D
McLean Murchie, Mr J
Munro, Lieut D
Ovrebeck Wright, Lieut A W
Paterson, Lieut F G F
Petrie, Mr A
Parker, Miss Ida
Piere, Miss Irene
Rodgen, Mr R L
Rai, Lieut D J
Robertson, 2nd Lieut E D S
Robertson, Mr D
Rennell, Mr E M
Rex, Miss
Rattigan, Mrs and infant
Scarlett, Mrs W F
Stein Lieut H B
Scroggie, Lieut W R J
Stone, Miss Maud
Scrafton, Mrs C
Schoen, Mr E
Tyebjee, Hon Mr Justice
Tyrell, Lieut J R J
Trydell, Mr A S
Tucker Mr T H
Williams, Lieut T S B
Wood, Lieut J
Willcocks, Lieut R B
Whalley, Mr R
Wainwright, Miss F
Young, Miss K

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

A special meeting the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday afternoon in Albert Buildings, Hornby Road, Fort, Mr. S. Rebsch presiding. There were present: Brigadier-General Sir James Willcocks, the Hon. Mr. C. W. Hughes, Mr. W. D. Sheppard, Mr. E. Gray, Colonel H. D. Olivier, Mr. D. E. Wacha, Dr. A. G. Viegas, Mr. Sassoon J. David, Major Meyer, Mr. Armstrong, Sir Bhalchundra Krishna, the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola, and Mr. F. C. Macrae.

The meeting recorded the letter No. 1868, dated 3rd April 1902, from the Acting Secretary to Goverment, General Department, stating that the Government of India had decided that the plots of lands Nos. 1, 2, and 22 on the Wellington Lines Estate should be formally resumed from the Trust for a military purpose.

With regard to a letter from the Secretary, Bombay Port Trust, No. 1840, dated 9th April 1902, which intimated that the period of three years for which the rates of rent were fixed for the Cotton Green land had expired, the Trustees decided that the rates at Rs. 1-5-6 per square yard per annum be continued for the next three years 1902-1903 to 1904-1905.

A Committee consisting of the chairman the Hon. Mr. W. C. Hughes, and Lieutenant-Colonel H. D. Olivier, R. E., was appointed to consult the Architect of the Government to show the designs of the Trustees' new offices.

The application from Mrs. Adams Wylie for renting to her 3,500 square yards of ground in the Guilder Street, on the Agripada estate, at Re. 0-3-9 per square yard per annum for building a charitable hospital on it was granted.

Considering the application of Mr. Rivett Carnac for a revision of rates of the ground on the Marine Lines estate, the Trustees adhered to their own terms.

After transacting some other business the meeting was dissolved.

BURGLARY AT A MAGISTRATE'S BUNGALOW.

On the night of the 13th instant the bungalow occupied by Mr. Cursondas Chabildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, at Nepean Sea Road was broken into by two or three Mahomedan burglars, who by means of a ladder lying in the compound, effected an entrance into the sleeping apartment of Mr. Cursondas in the upper floor of the bungalow. The burglars then removed a steel trunk containing silver ware, a leather hand bag containing jewellery and another bag containing papers and some embroidered wearing apparel, collectively valued at Rs. 1,024 and placed them near a window in order to take them away. About 2 o'clock in the morning Mrs Cursondas awoke by hearing the noise in the room, and seeing two men moving about, aroused her husband. Mr. Cursondas jumped out of bed at once and succeeded in arresting one of the burglars in the room. The other man escaped through a window. The captured burglar was searched and found to possess a few articles of the stolen property. On an enquiry being made it was found that a pair of gold spectacles and a set of gold studs of the value of Rs. 90 were missing. The burglar who was arrested is a Mahomedan youth of eighteen and has been once convicted of theft. He has given the name of his companion who is a jail bird. The captured burglar whose name is Baboo Fakermahomed, was this morning charged by Inspector Coxen before Mr. P. B. Dastur at the Mazagon Police Court, with house breaking and theft of property valued at Rs. 1,024. The case was remanded.

NOTES FROM GOA.

AN UNFOUNDED REPORT.

Our Panjim correspondent, writing on Saturday, says:—After all the news given publicity to by some of your contemporaries as regard, "another Revolt in Sattary" proves to be utterly without foundation, for Sattary is very quiet and no further disturbances are apprehended in any part of this country.

Colonel Gothardo, our Governor-General, intends remaining here for another year. It is to be hoped he will personally pay a visit to Sattary and Sangarm and thus be in a better position to know what the country really wants, and that it was a very ungenerous and cruel act of one of his predecessors, to discourage and drive away foreigners and other capelabers who had sunk large sums of money in agricultural estates. It is not yet too late for his Excellency Colonel Gothardo to repair the errors of the past.

The Archbishop Patriarch retires to Lisbon by the P. & O. Steamer leaving Bombay on the 23th inst. He goes on 12 months' leave, it is doubtful whether he will again return; hence, probably, the reason for the nomination of the Bishop of Cochin to act for the Patriarch during his absence, with the right of succession.

An attempt is being made in Lisbon to do away with the Medical College here. This would be a very serious error on the part of the Home Government for this college has produced many physicians and Surgeons, some of whom are in no way inferior, if not superior to many Medicialmen educated in the Lisbon Colleges. The present Chief of the Government Medical College, (Dr. Costa Alvares) although a native of this country, may be said to be the flower of the Covenanted Medical service. He completed his studies in Europe and is one of the cleverest men the country can boast of, and is highly respected both by Europeans and Natives for his versatile-taltents and suavity of manners. It is complained of that he does not render his services to the public as a private physician and surgeon, and devotes all his time to lectures and other duties in the College, for which he should rather be praised than censured, for, if my memory deceives me not, there is an order or resolution on the part of the Government of Bombay, that the Professors of the Grant Medical College should not carry on private practice and attend only in cases of consultation. The fact is the Medical College of Goa, is looked upon with jealousy as almost all the Professional chairs are now occupied by distinguished natives of this country.

The heat is intolerable and ice is in great demand.

CALCUTTA GIRL DUPED.

Mr. Pearson Chief Presidency Magistrate, Calcutta, was moved by a young lady, Miss Constance James, who, being crossed in love, sought for the punishment of her suitor, Mr. William Jameson. Babu Kristo Lall Dutt on behalf of the young lady, in making the application for a process, said that the accused offered to marry his client on the condition that she defrayed the marriage expenses. Miss James being agreeable to the terms, drew out Rs. 500 from her savings in the Bank, and handed the money to her suitor who interviewed a minister with a view to the publication of the "banns." Subsequently the young man made a further demand upon the young lady for Rs. 300, followed by a third demand for Rs. 60, making Rs. 860 in all. The accused, it was alleged, cancelled the banns relating to his marriage with the complainant and substituted the name of another young lady, whom he is said to have actually married. The complainant, smarting under this disappointment, sought redress in Court. The Magistrate took time to consider, and then passed orders in the matter.

MR. H. SCOTT LESLIE.

Owing to the success of his entertainment on Saturday evening last, Mr. H. Scott Leslie has decided to give another performance in the dining hall of the Great Western Hotel on Friday. Those who embraced the opportunity of hearing Mr. Leslie's delightful rendering of Albert Chevalier's coster songs on Saturday evening, will be glad to learn that he intends to make them one of the features of his next entertainment. By special request he will include in his programme some of Chevalier's older successes, "The future Mrs. 'Awkins," and others equally well known. One or two of his principal successes on Saturday he will repeat. As before, he will include in his programme several of those delightful "musical monologues" which pleased his audience so well, and he will have a batch of short stories to recount. Mr. Seymour Dove will preside at the piano.

It is understood that the order for plant for eight thousand lights for the Proclamation Durbar Camp at Delhi has been placed with Messrs. Preece and Cardew, Consulting Electrical Engineers, who will arrange with the contractors for delivery at Bombay and the subsequent installation. The lights will be of various power, and it is intended that the whole field will be illuminated.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE.

The weekly meeting of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Corporation was held yesterday afternoon in the Municipal Council Hall, Mr. James Macdonald presiding. There were present Mr. H. G. Gell, Sir Bhalchundra Krishna, the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtula, Dr. A. G. Viegas, Dr. N. N. Katrak, Mr. S. D. Khote, Mr. T. W. Cuffe, Mr. Haji Usuf Haji Ismail, Mr. Munmohandas Ramji, Mr. Fazulbhoy Visram and Mr. Vithaldas Damoder.

THE CHIEF OF THE FIRE BRIGADE.

The following letter from the Commissioner was considered. "I have the honour to state that I have granted 10 months' furlough to Mr. W. Nicholls, Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, with effect from the 19th instant. Mr. Nicholls has applied to be allowed to draw full pay for the first four months of his furlough as a plague concession under clause II (b) of para. 1 of the supplemental plague leave concessions sanctioned under Corporation Resolution of 26th June 1899 on the ground of his having worked on Plague Operations for over 2 years. The Corporation is doubtless aware that during the early years of plague the services of the Fire Brigade were constantly requisitioned for the cleansing of gullies and the flushing of drains, and during these years Mr. Nicholls was constantly present on the extra and laborious duty of superintending the work of his men. He also constantly inspected the temporary camps erected for segregation purposes which had to be protected against fire. I consider that Mr. Nicholls is fully entitled to the concession asked for, and beg that the Standing Committee and the Corporation will accord their sanction to its being granted. Mr. Nicholls has hitherto received no extra pay or allowances on account of his plague services. The expenditure involved in this proposal can be met by the savings in Mr. Nicholls' pay consequent on his absence on furlough."

Sir Bhalchundra Krishna moved that the Commissioner's letter be forwarded to the Corporation with the recommendation of the Standing Committee that sanction be given to the payment of full pay instead of half pay to Mr. Niholls for four months out of ten months for which he had been granted furlough.

Mr. S. D. Khote seconded the proposition, which, after some discussion, was carried.

BOMBAY WATER SUPPLY.

The Commissioner had forwarded for the information of the Committee the following report from Dr. C. H. Cayley, Divisional Health officer, on the Bombay water supply for the month of March.

Case:—There has been a considerable improvement in the Tulsi Water as delivered at Malabar Hill. The full effect of the scraping of the main has been experienced with the result that the water as delivered at Malabar Hill instead of being of worse quality is of better quality than that in the Lake itself.

The amount of Albuminoid Ammonia was less than that in the lake owing to the oxidation of the vegetable organic matters that occurred during the passage of the water along the main. The water as delivered at Malabar Hill no longer had a yellow colour and was free from smell, and the numbers of Bacteria were considerably less than had been found in the preceding months. The amount of vegetable organic matter in the unfiltered Vehar water was slightly greater than in the preceding month, otherwise this water was of good quality.

The Tansa water continued to be of good quality.

The above report was recorded and the Commissioner was asked to explain how and why a rate of 112 gallons was maintained at Bandarwada Reservoir.

After transacting some other business the Committee adjourned.

CERCLE LITTERAIRE, BIBLIOTHIQUE DINSHAW PETIT.

A meeting of the members of the Cercle Litterarie was held in the Cercle hall, on Thursday evening last, when Mr. Kaikhosrow Peeroshaw M. Mehta, B.A., delivered a lecture in French on Rene Bazin and his "Tache d'Encre." There was a good attendance of members and their friends. The Rev. Father S. Noti, S. J., president of the Cercle took the chair. The following is a short epitome of the lecture:

It is a notable fact that of all forms of literature, the novel has wholly absorbed the interest of the 19th century. In France, the novel, ever since its rise from the imaginative "heroical adventures" of Madame de La Fayette, has been evolving various schools of which perhaps the most conspicuous at the present time are the schools of the Realists or Naturalists, the Psychologists and the Moralists. Among the great living French novelists of the day, M. Rene Bazin has come to occupy a very prominent position, not only as a "litterateur," but as a deep and sincere observer of mankind in the various phases of life. However, he does not belong exclusively to any of the schools mentioned above. But, by uniting to the best elements of realism, to the deep study of men, the salutary reintegration of the idea and the life of the soul, which forms the principal sphere of the psychological novel, M. Bazin has succeeded in distinguishing himself as one of the best and most "healthy" of the present day novelists. Highly respectful of the ideal element of life, he neither abandons himself to that realism which veils under that name the most brutal and gross passions of mankind, which depicts the gloomiest side of humanity, ignoring the higher ideals, the profounder intensities of life. Nor, on the other hand, does he allow himself to be carried away by that hair-splitting intellectual and moral anatomy which often leads the way to an 'ugly' pessimism. He feels, and makes us feel that the ideal without the real is vicious as much as the real without the ideal is false and vain; that the ideal is after all more true than the real, for it is the eternal element in things perishable; for it is their type, their "raison d'etre" in the work of the Creator. A true exponent of the emotions which shake the human heart, of the secret and all powerful charms of nature, elements which never grow old or perish. M. Bazin fortifies man for the struggle of life, without encouraging its illusions and chimeras. His lucid, finished style, with its exquisite abandon, its fresh colouring and limpid flow, joined to a most refined delicacy of taste, a tender sensibility and a vein of pathos circulating therein, together form a "milieu" at once salutary, and attractive in which the mind may revel with the fullest freedom. The true object of art, he teaches us is to delight, to charm the imagination, not to deceive the mind or lead it astray; to give impulse to our higher, poetic faculties, and excite the imagination. He is the master of art, who, in observing men and things, sees them at once as they are, as they might be, as they ought to be. An ardent devotee of the cult of simplicity and truth and beauty. M. Bazin reminds us that to cherish enthusiasm in our hearts by poetry, meditation, and charity, enthusiasm grave and profound of the eternal beauty and harmony, is the mainspring of man's happiness and wisdom. M. Rene Bazin has had the great distinction of having several of his works crowned by the "French Academy." Of these his "Tache d'Encre" is one. It is a simple story of the fervent love of a youth full of the noble impulses of life, traversing the abyss of doubt and anguish, when the whole edifice of hope and life seemed to vainsh like a cloud in the air, to reach the sublime heights of a pure and lasting devotion. In it, he warns us of the delusions that beset life, and the terrible consequences of the disdain of the eternal order and harmony of things in the universal economy of Providence. In it he gives us the model of a firm, noble, truthful humanity which knows to endure the cruel strokes of an inexorable fate; and, when life seems but an illusion, a dream, a lugubrious phantom, flitting like a formless shadow across the vast infinite of a mysterious universe, to live with piety and resignation, with courage and magnanimity in the hope of imperishable love which survives all bitterness, all regret, darkness and death.

The president whilst thanking the lecturer for his very interesting lecture, pointed out how well the subject of the writings of Rene Bazin was treated by him, and in what pure French the lecture was delivered. Whilst complimenting the lecturer, he hoped that his example would be followed by many other graduates of the University who had passed in French. He said the able way and the correct French in which the lecture was delivered was sufficient evidence to refute the suggestion made in some quarters that graduates could not translate from English into French, nor write a decent letter in French. He said the statement was highly exaggerated and incorrect. He said the lecturer stood first in French at the last B. A. Examination, and had won the Cercle Litteraire prize. In conclusion the president announced that Mr. Sorab P. N. Wadia had offered a sum of Rupees one hundred out of the balance in his hands of the Ardeshir Dhanjishaw, Lalcaca Memorial Fund for the best essay in French on a subject to be selected by the Cercle's Committee, the competition being open to all graduates of the University:—In doing so, the president paid a very high compliment to the wide knowledge which the late Mr. Lalcaca possessed of French language and literature, and which had been displayed by him some months ago in his lecture on Tennyson.

The proceedings then terminated.

Mr. Merk, who has been employed on special duty in connection with Mahsud affairs, has been granted one year's leave. Recent events in the Gomal may possibly cause a slight delay in his eparture from the frontier.

ART, MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

A NEW CANTATA.

FRENCH ADAPTATIONS.

THE ROYAL BRITISH SOCIETY OF ARTISTS.

LONDAN March 28

A new drama cantata, "The Lay of the Brown Rosary," by Mr. A. von Ahn Carse, Macfarren scholar at the Royal Academy of Music, was produced at the Student's Concert, given under Sir Alexander Mackenzie, at Queen's Hall. The composer, who is, we believe, not yet 21, is a naturally gifted young musician, and is furthermore rightly held to be one of the most promising of the present pupils of the Academy. It is true he is rather unfortunate in having chosen so tragic a subject, which, moreover, he has treated in the most sombre fashion Furthermore, like so many of the rising generation of composers, he seems to be steeped in Wagner and Dvorak. This would not perhaps particularly signify had Mr. Carse the experience and resource of a master of orchestration to impart to his music the necessary variety. Some special composer always has influenced the school then existing. In the middle of the last century it was Handel and Spohr. Then came a period of Mendelssohn, Raff, and Brahms; while at the present time Wagner, Tschaikowsky, and Dvorak appear to be the favourites. The imitation is doubtless unconscious, but it necessarily lacks the master touch, and also, of course, the interest of the original. Elizabeth Barrett Browning's poem, upon which Mr. Carse's cantata is based, is itself gloomy enough, without needing any adventitious aid in that direction from the music. The heroine is Onora, who, believing that she is likely to die within a week, and thus will be unable to marry her lover, who is shortly expected back from the wars, sells herself to the Nun of the Brown Rosary. The result is disclosed in the course of a lengthy second scene, in which the young girl, slumbering in her room, surrounded by good and bad angels, tells in a dream how, in exchange for a prolonged life, she had promised. "I would not thank God in my weal, nor seek God in my woe." The third scene is that of the marriage to her lover, who at the close of the ceremony falls down dead, while in the fourth and last scene she herself expires before the shrine of St. Agnes. It used to be said that youth is naturally optimistic. The musical youth of the present day is obviously more inclined to pessimism, and a ghastly story of this sort seems essentially attractive to it.

The music maintains its subdued character almost throughout, even in the marriage scene, where brightness might assuredly have been expected. The narrative portion of the cantata is choral, and here no doubt the composer was to a certain extent handicapped, owing to the fact that in the choir of the Royal Academy of music the ladies outnumber the gentlemen in the proportion of something like eight to one, so that certain of the effects at which Mr. Carse has obviously aimed were of course missed. The chief interest, however, centered in the scene of the dream. Here Mr. Carse has attempted the experiment of introducing melodrama, if such it may be called; or rather, spoken dialogue, slightly accompanied by the orchestra, and alternated with regularly accompanied recitative. First the elocutionist, representing the Second Angel, is a woman, and her spoken words, answering the musical recitative of the First Angel, a soprano, had an almost bazarre effect. Afterwards the elocutionist, as the Evil Spirit, is a man whose voice answers in words the vocal dream of the Soprano. The two elocutionists, Miss Mabel Moore and Mr. H. E, Butcher, recited remarkably well, but the experiment can hardly be considered successful. For the rest, the music is undoubtedly clever, and as a first serious effort shows abundance of promise. Mr. Carse will probably be even still more successful when he relies more upon his own inspiration and natural ability, and less upon contemporary models. The part of the heroine's too candid little brother was, for some reason, entrusted to a tenor, Mr G. H. Gardner, but the bulk of the music fell to Miss Ethel Lister, who, although she was unable to make interesting the all too long and monotonous solo of Onora in the last scene, yet sang her music remarkably well. At the close of the performance Mr. Carse was twice called to the platform, and was heartily applauded by his fellow students.

We are, no doubt, a righteous people; and perhaps we are also a dull people. At any rate, our wits are not quick enough to see the point of a Palais Royal farce with the point Bowdlerized out of it. One must, out of pure international courtesy, suppose that there was some point in the original of "The Girl from Maxims's, as it left the pen of M. George Feydeau. Probably it was spicy; but the spice has disappeared, and the rest is all but—well, the two Macs with a suspicion of Lottie Collins, if the allusion be not out of date. Dr. Petitpont got drunk: that was the beginning of sorrows. Being drunk, he went to Maxim's, and invited a charming lady with her attendant squire to supper in his house (his wife was away, making closer acquaintance with the spirits of the departed). The charming lady duly went and ate supper, while her host designate was fighting the squire at the restaurant, and getting locked up for his pains. Everybody was everybody's else's wife, and their uncle, and their aunt. And the angel Gabriel came in somehow; and a bouquet with a duke behind it; a white sheet, an electric chair, a pair of swords, and one or two boxes on the ear, before people eventually got sorted to their lawful spouses, and General Petitpont was paired off with the—well, gay "Girl from Maxim's." After all, it doesn't much matter what the plot was, or if there was an intelligible plot at all. We roared with laughter over the exquisite wit which suggested, when it was a question of the weapons for a duel, "a dose of arsenic a-piece, and toss up for the stomach-pump." Why we laughed, one can hardly say; perhaps it was supposed to. Miss Beatrice Ferrar as praline bore the weight of the piece on her shoulders, and certainly did not lack for liveliness. She would have kicked higher in France, and helped thereby to give point to the piece. But the whole company—twenty-eight, not counting the "guests," worked well, and would give life to the piece, if life were in it. It is a trifle of course, that every lady in the play was addressed as "Mad-damn," and nothing to the point that the General and Doctor were perpetually called "Pettypong," which suggests a reduced version of a popular game. Nothing has yet induced the ornaments of the English stage to take even the first steps in the study of French pronunciation. Praline's song in the second act, which might, to people of vulgar mind, appear somewhat "near the knuckle" was hissed, which is gratifying proof that our unctuous rectitude has survived; but then we shouldn't try and adapt French farces. However one is found to agree with the verdict, for it was intolerably silly. The reception of the play was what is politely described as "mixed"—a morsel of applause to an intolerable deal of the other thing. One is sorry; for really the adapter and the performers made desperate endeavours to be improper.

At St. Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday evening there was a gathering of some six or seven thousand persons for the Annual Holy Week performance of large portions of Bach's St. Mathew Passion music. Although it is the desire of the Cathedral authorities that these Lenten oratorios should be considered as portions of a Church service, the people seemed to make little or no serious attempt to join in the chorales with the heartiness for example which is shown by the congregations at St. Annes Soho. Perhaps they would be more ready to do so and thus as Bach himself intended, to covert the performance in to anact of worship, if the music of the chorales were printed in the book of words. The attendance at these "Passion" services is always very large, and it is understood that many, in the desire to obtain good seats, remained in the Cathedral after the afternoon service, and thus must have been in the building something like seven hours. The singers enrolled for the special evening services reinforced the ordinary choir of the Cathedral, and there was, therefore, a chorus of more than 250 singers, and an orchestra of fifty, conducted from the Lectern by Sir George Martin, Mr. Charles Macpherson being at the great organ, and the recitatives being accompanied by Mr. Frederick Walker on the pianoforte. The solos were sung by members of the St. Paul's choir. Criticism of the performance would, of course, be out of place. It may, however, be mentioned that the oratorio was prefaced by the late Sir John Stainer's very beautiful "Miserere," which is based upon the old ecclesiastical "Tonus Regalis." Minor Canon Tapsfield conducted the service, and among the clergy present were the Bishop of Stepney, Archdeacon Sinclair, and Canon Scott Holland, besides several prebendaries.

Mr. Konrad Stehling, whose death at his London residence is announced, in his 80th year, was for many years principal viola in Mr. Manns' famous orchestra at the Crystal Palace, and down to the time of his death, and despite his advanced age, he was principal viola at the Albert Hall, where indeed as we understand, he played as recently as a fortnight ago at a concert given by the Royal Choral Society. For a long time also he was one of the violas in the Philharmonic Orchestra, and he likewise played at the Opera. There, his skill as a performer on the guitar was utilised, especially in the accompaniment for mandoline in the Don's serenade, in the second act of "Don Giovanni." In his youth Mr. Stehling led an adventurous life. He was a native of Frankfort, and fought in the battles of 1848. According to a writer in "Musical News." who evidently knew him well, he escaped from Germany in a very remarkable fashion; for he stuffed his soldier's uniform with straw, and placed it upright in his sentry box. He afterwards gained a Rhine steamboat, and so delighted the crew with his guitar playing, that when he reached the frontier the captain smuggled him through by concealing him under a bed in his own cabin. Three or four days later he was playing the guitar at Drury Lane. He and Giulo Regondi toured through England giving guitar concerts; but the instrument proved neither popular nor profitable, and they dropped it. Accordingly Regondi afterwards took to the concertina, which Sir Charles Wheatstone had invented a few years before, while Stehling adopted the viola. Stehling was a friend of Mendelssohn, Berlioz, Schumann, and Thomas Carlyle, and indeed it is said that he frequently went to Cheyne-walk on Sundays to play to the Carlyles the guitar, of which instrument the philosopher was remarkably fond.

Mr. Gillette's tenancy of the "Lyceum will perforce" have to come to an end on the 12th of April. The success of "Sherlock Holmes" enabled him to occupy the theatre for a much longer period than originally contemplated, but Sir Henry Irving and his company returned home on Easter Monday, and will be rehearsing the promised revival of W. G. Wills "Faust" for production on April 26. In this production Miss "Cecilia" Loftus is to play the Marguerite so intimately associated with Miss Terry, while Mr. Laurence Irving will be the Valentine. Entirely new scenery and costumes are being prepared, as all the old effects were destroyed in the fire, which occurred some years since across the water at the storehouse where much of the material connected with the Lyceum productions was housed. Mr. Gillette, when he leaves, will first start on a provincial tour, and then, it is rumoured, introduce "Sherlock Holmes" to French and German audiences, Even before "Sherlock Holmes" disappears, we have seen the last of the amusing parody "Sherluck Jone," for when Mr. James Welch re-opened on Saturday at the Comedy "The New Clown" was preceded by a one-act farce entitled "Judged by Appearances," in which Mr. Welch himself played, supported by Mr. Edward Sass and Mr. Audrey Ford. Mr. Sass was a great favourite at Terry's by reason of his admirable study of the circus-master in "The New Clown." Though the days of "Sherlock Holmes," are numbered, the hoardings are not likely to be long without portraits of a character in sensational fiction who has run the famous detective rather hard in popular favour. At Easter we are to have at the Princess's an adaptation of Mr. Gay Boothby's "Dr. Nikola," and the adventures of that remarkable personage one would think ought to provide material for not one but a dozen sensational dramas.

FAMINE RELIEF MEASURES.

THE memorandum on the famine relief operations in the Bombay Presidency for week ending 5th April 1902, states:— Light rain fell in parts of Bijapur, Nasik, Sholapur, Belgaum. Ahmedabad, Ahmednagar Kathiawar, Palanpur, Jamkhandi and Mudhol. The prices of the staple food-grains rose slightly in all the affected districts except Ahmedabad and the Panch Mahals.

2. A statement showing the progress of relief measures is appended. The result is an increase of 10,874 persons relieved, compared with the numbers for the preceding week.

	Preceding week	Week under report
Workers	157,454	15',193
Dependants	10,395	10,694
Gratuitously relieved in poor-houses and villages,............	46,866	50,702
Total...	204,715	215,589

The numbers on relief works, including dependants have varied as follows:—

Panch Mahals, increase of 1,810; Ahmednagar' 1,139; Bijapur, 1,069; Ahmedabad, 1,222; Broach' 549, Solapur, 505; Kaira, 454; Khandesh, 267; and Surat, 106, Belgaum, decrease of 83. The numbers in receipt of gratuitous relief in villages and poor-houses have increased in all districts except the Panch Mahals. The work of improving the tank at Asodar in the Kaira District was opened as a relief work during the week.

The number of persons in receipt of relief during he preceding and present weeks in each provincer is shown in the following table:—

Name of Province.	Preceding week. Revised figures. Relief works.	Gratuitous relief.	Total.
British Provinces.			
Bombay and Sindh	158454	46752	205206
Punjab	——	2443	2443
Ajmer-Merwara	8606	848	9454
Total British Provinces ...	167060	50043	217103
Native States.			
Rajputana States	28253	4101	32454
Central India States	26284	770	27054
Baroda	21476	10860	32336
Bombay Native States..	36518	5161	41679
Total Native States ...	112631	20892	133523
Grand Total ..	279691	70935	350626

Name of Province.	Present Week. Relief works.	Gratuitous relief.	Total.	Increase or decrease.
British Provinces.				
Bombay and Sindh	163920	49817	213737	+8531
Punjab	...	2448	2448	+ 5
Ajmer-Merwara	8922	833	9755	+ 3[illegible]
Total British Provinces ...	172842	53.98	225940	+8837
Native States.				
Rajputana States	27026	3991	31017	
Central India States	2/542	768	28310	—1437
Baroda	19988	10802	30790	—1251
Bombay Native States ...	37180	5464	42644	—+965
Total Native States ...	111736	21025	132761	—762
Grand Total ...	284578	74123	35:701	+8075

THE PASSENGERS BY S. S. FRANZ FERDINAND.

The following is the List of Passenger preceeding to Trieste & Venice by the SS Franz Ferdinand leaving to-day from the stream. The Medical Inspection of the Saloon Passengers will take place at Ballard Pier at 4 P.M. sharp on and the Disinfection of the Deck Passengers at the new Disinfecting Station near the Prince's Dock at 11 A.M.:—

Capt H S and Mrs Alexander
Mr J H and Mrs Alexandra
Miss Ashton
Miss F D Bascombe
Mr J Blum
Col F F R and Mrs Burgess
Major H F and Mrs Chesney
Mr J E Dallas
Mr J H and Mrs Davey
Two Misses Davey
Mr W G and Mrs Dean
Mr DeLacasoe
Mr S Dresel
Mr and Mrs Firth and infant
Mr L Flax
Mr W Fooke
Mr E Gunther
Col E and Mrs Herbert, two children and nurse.
Two Misses Herbert
Miss C M Hogarth
Miss A Clark-Kennedy
Mr R and Mrs Krummacher
Mr E C and Mrs Le Maistre
Master Le Maistre
Mr F St and Mrs Manners Smith
Mrs Z Mayer
Mr A Moll
Mr J Posner
Mrs C A Radcliffe
Mr C W Simson
Mrs Stevens
Mr and Mrs Sulzer
Revd Westcott
Lt Wrench
A Gentleman

HUNGARY AND THE WAR.

A REMARKABLE TRIBUTE TO ENGLAND.

"SPLENDID DIGNITY."

An article remarkable as a testimony to the characteristics of the British appears in the literary portion of the Ministerial organ, Magyar Nemzet, of Buda Pesth. It is from the pen of a writer held in high esteem in Hungary, M. Andreas de Kozma, who adopts the pseudonym of "Andronicus." The following are the leading passages:

Whenever I read of fresh defeats for England, and thereafter how England, the British Isles, and the English of the whole globe bear these blows of fortune, I am reminded of an old joke. What is an impossibility? it was asked, and the reply was, "An impossibility is to run with dignity after a hat that has been blown off by a gust of wind." Now this impossibility no longer exists. The English have been running after their hat, and in vain, for the last three years, and the extraordinary thing is that never has the Englishman maintained his dignity so completely as during this tragi-comical South African chase.

Let us look for a moment at the latest incident. Let us suppose that Lord Methuen's name had been Baron Mecsery, a Hungarian general; let us further suppose that he had been in command of a corps for three years, say in Krivoscie, South Dalmatia. And then, when we had heard so often that the rebellion in Krivoscie had been brought to an end, and that the war was now a mere matter of a fight with a few cattle robbers, suppose that one fine day the unexpected report was received that the rebels had dealt General Mecsery a dire blow, and had taken him prisoner, together with the greater part of his force, his guns, and his ammunition column. I ask now, what would be said in Buda, Pesth on that day? What would be said about the mishap in the streets in the Press, in Parliament? Does anyone dare assert that the people of Buda Pesth would not talk of treachery, of cowardice, or at the very least of criminal negligence? Dare anyone maintain that our people would on that day speak in a tone of pain and regret of the misfortune that had overtaken the trusty general and his brave soldiers? Does anyone believe that the Lower House of the Diet would at once express its firm conviction that the unfortunate general and his soldiers had done their duty to the best of their ability and conscience? And does anyone believe that the united public opinion of Hungary would with irresistible determination again record its view that the misfortune proved nothing against the Government's policy, and that this was but another reason for prosecuting the war and supporting it with renewed vigor?

But it is not only we Hungarians, who cannot sustain a comparison with the British nation. Let us draw a parallel between the English and the French, dealing only with the past. Think of Tonkin? How many reports of defeats in Tonkin have Paris and France received with calm dignity, unbroken hope, and unshaken confidence in ultimate victory? Ah, how soon did the public opinion of France in alarm stigmatise the Tonkin policy as a criminal and accursed adventure! The very first time such a thing occurred, everybody was convinced that the undertaking had not been entered upon in the interests of France.

And now let us recall the Italian disaster in Erythrea. General Baratieri lost one battle, and at once all was at an end. His reputation was gone, and the whole of Italy's East African policy was abandoned. The day before every Italian cherished the conviction that a colonial policy in Africa was as necessary to Italy as the bread that she ate. Twenty-four hours later, when the battle had been lost, every Italian growled at the traitorous, purblind scoundrel who had dared to stake Italian blood and money for the Utopia of a colonial policy in Africa.

In regard to Germany I can instance no example. It is possible that in a given case the German would resemble the Englishman in coolness, consistency, patience, and determination of purpose—in a word dignity—in a greater degree than any other nation, but I would not even answer for the German. For in such a case the superior judgement and more disciplined temperament of the race are not sufficient. The nation must identify itself consciously and conscientiously with its policy. Every Englishman who gave his vote to the party of which Mr. Chamberlain is the leader is firmly convinced that not merely the Minister, but he himself also, planned and undertook the South African war. Therefore, if misfortunes happen in this war, he has no right to make a scapegoat of the Minister or leader. He himself must champion this policy with heart and soul and he does champion it.

THE TOBACCO FIGHT.

OGDEN'S REPLY TO THE BRITISH TRUST.

OGDEN'S (Limited) sent out on March 22 as a reply to the Imperial Company's latest announcement, the following:—

"Traders who sign modified agreements with Imperial Company, of course, cannot participate in our bonus.—Ogden's, Ltd.

TABACCO TRADE CALLED UPON TO CHOOSE.

Following up their telegram to the tobacco trade on Saturday, intimating that those who signed the modified agreement of the Imperial Tobacco Company could not participate in the bonus scheme of Messrs, Ogden, Limited, the American firm despatched a circular on Saturday dealing with the subject at greater length.

"The Imperial Tobacco Company, Limited, by their boycotting tactics and attempts to make the retail shops into tied houses to themselves, have," they say, caused so much dissatisfaction and such a storm of indignation in the trade, that they now endeavour to show that they have been mis-understood. The conditions of the Imperial bonus scheme speak for themselves, and are of such an extraordinary character as to be dangerous to the independence of the trader. They now seek to partially modify their boycott on our goods by offering to add a clause to their undertaking that as long as the goods of Ogden's, Limited, and the American Tobacco Company are not displayed in their customers' windows, they will not exercise the power reserved to them in Clause 4 without giving three months, notice in writing. There is no corresponding right on your part to give notice to them."

"THE BOYCOTT REMAINS."

"The clause still stands," continues the circular, "that the Imperial Company may boycott the goods of any other person, firm or company objected to by them in writing. That includes all British manufacturers. The obvious intention of the Imperial Tobacco Company towards us by the modified boycott is to prevent our goods being shown in your windows, and in the way they hope to restrict the sale of our goods. It is for you to consider whether they can achieve their object. The full boycott would be put into operation against you at an early date."

"Of course," say Messrs. Ogden, "if you sign the agreement of the Imperial Company, Limited, you cannot participate in our bonus, which we have no doubt you will appreciate, will be of greater benefit to you than that of the Imperial Tobacco Company. Our bonus covers all our goods. In conclusion, we desire to draw your attention to the the fact that we have not purchased shares in Messrs. Salmon and Gluckstein, Limited, or in any other retailers who are competing with you. We have reduced our prices to the advantage of the customer, and apart from any bonus, have secured to the trade a living profit upon our goods."

NO MORE CONCESSIONS.

The Imperial Tobacco Company will not, it is said, make any further concessions and as they have fixed April 2 as the last day on which their offer applies a crisis in the struggle is not likely to be long delayed. Both combines claim to have secured a large following, but if the meetings of retailers are any criterion there seems no general disposition to sign either.

From the customers' point of view, one result of the war has been an apparent increase instead of a decrease in the price of some tobaccos.

There is a rumour in the City that a syndicate has been formed, and arrangements made for putting up £2,000, within twenty-four hours with which to start another retail tobacco organisation on the lines of Salmon and Gluckstein.

AMERICA MAY BE "INVADED."

New York, March 7.—It is reported here that in retaliation for the American Tobacco Company's action the Imperial Tobacco Company will carry the war into the enemy's country with the co-operation of the Universal and Allied Corporations, and that the fight will be waged in America.—Reuter.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

THE following races will be sailed on Saturday, the 19th April, 1902:—

Ship's Boats (Fancy rig) Race—Start at 3-0 p.m. Course No. 12—11·7 miles.

Tomtit class Race—Start at 3·5 p.m. Course Special—From Committee vessel, round North Karanja Buoy, leaving it to Starboard, round Sunk Rock, leaving it to Starboard, round South Karanja Buoy, leaving it to port and thence to Committee Vessel. Length of Course—10·6 miles.

Yacht's Handicap (Class B) Race—Start at 3·15 p.m. Course No. 12—11·7 miles.

Yachts Handicap (Class A) Race—Start at 3·25 p.m. Course No. 2 followed by Course No. 8—12·9 miles.

Entries for all the above races close at noon on Thursday next.

MINING DISASTER AT BALLARAT.

FOUR MEN DROWNED.

SURVIVORS' TERRIBLE EXPERIENCES.

THE Cardigan Proprietary mine, situated about five miles from Ballarat, was, on March 19, the scene of a catastrophe that resulted in the loss of four lives. Three men succeeded in making their escape, after an experience that has seldom been paralleled in the history of mining in Victoria. The particulars of the catastrophe, which consisted in the sudden flooding of the mine by a burst of water into the upper workings, have been made quite clear by the statements of the survivors. The night shift of nine men went to work at midnight. Their names were:—George Simpson, aged 45, married man, with a family; James M'Grath 33, also married; James Hegarty, single; William Mansfield married; J. O'Keefe, single; James Hunter, senior, 50, married; James Hunter, junior, 28, single; William King, 20, single; George Simpson, junior, single.

Exactly how the rush of water started will probably never be known. Its entrance was, however, in the upper drive, where four men were at work. As in the course of less than half an hour, it flooded almost every portion of the mine, it must have been of terrific force and of immense volume. Of the three who were lucky enough to reach the shaft before the lower workings were completely flooded two were, working in the rise and the third was the platman, who had gone along to assist them.

It is probably owing to a mere accident that a single one of the miners below when the water broke into the workings lived to tell the story. Simpson, senior, and M'Grath had been at work about an hour and a half in the rise, when M'Grath found that the saw used for cutting footpieces was missing, having apparently fallen down into the drive. Accordingly he descended and was just about to go up again when he heard a noise like rolling thunder that seemed almost to shake the earth to its very centre. The more experienced a miner the more perfectly he knows the danger which such an ominous sound portends, and rushing to the entrance of the rise he yelled to Simpson to come down. Almost at the moment there came a rush of cold air with almost whirlwind force, extinguishing every light in an instant. In the inky darkness Simpson hastily groped his way down the rise to where M'Grath and Hegarty were standing in the drive. The muffled roar which seemed to come from the other end of the drive continued. That something serious had happened was evident, but the men hardly knew what. The air continued to whistle through the workings. But even before the startled miners had time to light their candles, the knowledge of what had occurred was forced upon them. The roar they had heard for fully a minute became more distinct, and suddenly in the darkness they were hurled from their feet, and in a moment were struggling in a deluge of water. It was more than evident now that there was no time to be lost if they were to escape with their lives, and calling to one another the three men commenced what seemed an almost hopeless attempt to reach the balance shaft, down which lay their only way of escape. The horror of their struggle in utter darkness, waist deep in water, with the flood still rising, can hardly be described. All the while the roar as of some enormous cataract continued. As the men, now falling, over obstacles, and again struggling to their feet in a half drowned condition, neared the shoot from the upper level they knew by the thunder of an immense volume of falling water that the outbreak had occurred in the top drive. The drive in which they were was now half choked with timber, and the greatest difficulty was experienced in making any progress at all. Clinging close to the wall each one of them succeeded in passing the falling water in safety.

M'Grath, a tall, wiry looking man, a typical miner, pushed ahead of his comrades, and was the first to reach the balance shaft. Here he found the two truckers had already arrived, and irresolute what to do, were listening to the water thundering down the 42 feet to the lower level. In a few minutes, Simpson senior and Hegarty also came along and the five men stood for a while debating what course to pursue. To attempt to go down the shaft seemed certain death. On the other hand to wait would be to risk being slowly drowned or to be cut off by the rising water from any chance of escape and to die of starvation. It was M'Grath who first came to the determination to risk all in a plunge down the shaft. There were two ways down, one by the man hole, in which were the ladders used by the miners, and the other down the balance shaft proper, in which hung the chain used for lowering down a sort of cage. M'Grath chose the man hole.

"I'll try it," he shouted to Hegarty, who also seemed willing to take the risk, but, unlike M'Grath, thought the less dangerous way would be to try and slide down the chain. M'Grath made for the man-hole, down which the water was pouring. Stemming the torrent he placed his feet on the rungs of the ladder and commenced to descend. In the face of such a cataract, however, it was impossible for any man to maintain his hold, and M'Grath had not gone half a dozen steps when he lost his hold and was swept 40 feet to the bottom of the shaft. The water which up above threatened his life here saved it, breaking his fall, so that he picked himself up after his astonishing tumble not much the worse. The water at the foot of the shaft was about 5 feet deep, and groping along the plat he managed to reach the main shaft, and clambered into the cage, which at the time was down.

Hegarty was less fortunate. Grasping the Chain, he commenced to slide down. As with M'Grath, the weight of water was too much for him, and he was compelled to loosen his hold. In the subsequent fall he must have struck something, for although he managed to scramble as far as the cage, in which M'Grath was already seated, he was almost insensible from a severe blow on the head, which had inflicted a deep wound.

Simpson senior had determined, with the two truckers, to wait and see if the water would ease off. After an hour, however, he determined, as the rush down the shaft was not so heavy, to risk the descent. He reached the bottom in safety, but only just in time as the water was almost up to the level of the plats. He found the cage down in the shaft, and was brought to the surface.

A couple of miners waited in the cage in the bottom of the shaft for an appearance of the truckers until the water rose above the plats to a depth of about 7 feet, and it became evident that their escape until the flood subsided would be impossible. The truckers were subsequently rescued.

MR. WYNDHAM AND MR. W. O'BRIEN.

STRONG LANGUAGE FROM THE IRISH M. P.

SOME characteristic correspondence has taken place between Mr. William O'Brien, M. P., and Mr. George Wyndham concerning a statement made by the latter to the effect that the hon. member for Cork City had urged the non-payment of rent throughout Ireland and had practically started the De Freyne campaign.

From Rome on March 16 Mr. O'Brien, who had seen Mr. Wyndham's statement reported in the "Times," writes asking for a reference to any declaration of his, in the course of the United Irish League agitation, advising the withholding of rent.

Mr. Wyndham replied, enclosing reprint of a speech and a letter in which Mr. O'Brien had said:—

"First as to the landlords. They have had entirely too easy a time of it of late. (Cheers and laughter.) I think every landlord in the country this winter ought to be pressed to give the same reduction of rents that have been obtained by the thirty thousand peasant proprietors who have bought under the Land Purchase Acts.

Every landlord who refused I would treat in exactly the same way as the landgrabber, in the thousand ways that the people have the power to do it. (Cheers.) Teach them that the landlords who won't co-operate in abolishing landlordism on reasonable terms have their own bed of thorns, and must lie on it. (Cheers.)"

This was at a meeting at Westport on September 1. A month later, in a letter to a meeting at Ennistymon, Mr. O'Brien wrote:—

The demonstration now going on through the country will be regarded by the Government and the landlords as somewhat hollow performances unless they are followed up, as in this locality, by a general and fearless use of the right of trade-union strikers to picket, isolate, and "Devonshire" everyone who takes the side of the enemy in this winter's supreme struggle for the soil of Ireland.

Mr. O'Brien sends a long reply to the latter in which Mr. Wyndham enclosed these extracts, and says:

"You reply, not with an honest confession that you have failed to find any such passage, but with two quotations in which my advice is something diametrically the opposite.

"Your extensive acquaintance with Irish affairs will have made you aware that no question of rent can arise in reference to the people's right of combination against that odious class," land-grabbers not being yet, so far as I know, entitled to rent from the community they adorn.

"The United Irish League has been conducted on the lines of trade-union combination, and not on the lines of non-payment of rent, which constitutes the principal difficulty of your Government in challenging the legality of its methods in a court of law, as you have repeatedly been invited to do.

"Therefore, not only were you wrong, but you must have known it.

If all sense of British fairplay has not been buried with so much other British treasure in South Africa, I have my doubts whether your countrymen will either consider your attacks upon me behind my back very manful, or your failure to acknowledge or apologise for their falsity altogether worthy of your not inconsiderable pretensions as a statesman and a gentleman."

CECIL RHODES.

SOME ANECDOTES AND REMINISCENCES,

(Concluded from Monday's 'Bombay Gazette.')

A writer in the "Cape Times" has recalled the fact that Mr. Rhodes made his first appearance in the Cape Parliament, and his maiden speech there, on April 19, 1881, in the stormy days just after the Boer war. He was then twenty-eight years old. A writer of "Notes in the House" of that day remarks amusingly: "Mr. Rhodes's speech was that of one who will speak his mind out freely. But the frankness of his nature (we judge from his face) may expose him to the designs of the wily."

In the course of his remarks, Mr. Rhodes thrice ursurped the awful privilege of the Speaker, exercised by him only in solemn rebuke, of calling on members by name. Quite a thrill ran through the House when he boldly mentioned Mr. Sprigg (now Sir Gordon Sprigg). The young gentleman gracefully apologised. The faults of impetuosity are venial, particularly when the impetuosity proceeds from an enthusiasm of justice, but Mr. Rhodes must learn to recognise the representative character of members in conventional fashion.

Although freely taunted at one time, though never on any grounds produced, with lack of physical courage, this charge was subsequently completely refuted—not only by his conduct during the Matabele war but by the sang-froid which he displayed during the siege of Kimberley. Here is what one of the Bulawayo correspondents wrote in the former connexion:

At Thabas Imamba I more than once trembled for his safety as bullet after bullet struck perilously near him, and his own words spoken to me after the fight showed how hard the taunt of personal cowardice, so often hurled at him, had hit. Speaking of a certain hot corner, he said, "I couldn't see anything to be gained by going there, but then, if you don't go, someone might say you didn't want to." That "didn't want to" meant volumes.

"As restless on his seat as a spring doll." This was the description once given of Mr. Rhodes as viewed from the Press Gallery of the Cape House of the Assembly:

Rarely, says the writer in question, does he retain the same attitude for two minutes in succession. He, however, sticks closely to his place, and though he does not give one the appearance of being interested in the proceedings, yet it is surprising to note his immediate change from an air of being utterly bored to one of close watchfulness when an expression is used or an argument propounded which is of interest to him. When he speaks he comes to the point at once, but he is somewhat difficult to follow, nevertheless. The statement that he thinks aloud is a very apt description of his style of address. His conclusion is usually as abrupt as his commencement, and one only realises that he has finished by seeing him flop down heavily on the seat, jerk his hands into his trousers pockets, give two peculiar shrugs of the shoulder, and finally lean back to eye the speaker who follows him.

A MILLIONAIRE'S PREDICAMENT.

Mr. Rhodes, millionaire that he was, was nearly always short of small change. In which connexion an amusing story is narrated:

At the opening at the Kimberley exhibition, a grand dinner, at which Sir Henry and Lady Loch were present, was given to Mr. Rhodes. Mr. Rhodes arrived at the Exhibition gates without his pass, and was refused admission by the gate-keeper, who did not recognise him. Asking how much the entrance money was, Mr. Rhodes put his hand into various pockets, to find that he had not the necessary two shillings about him. "Perhaps my watch will do?" he asked, and he felt in his pocket, only to find that he had even left his watch at home. All this time the company was anxiously awaiting the Premier's arrival.

"Don't you know that I am the Prime Minister?" said Mr. Rhodes.

"Know it? Of course I don't. You'll be saying as you're Mr. Cecil Rhodes himself next."

At last, a man passing into the Exhibition advanced Mr. Rhodes the necessary florin, and he was able to join the dinner-party.

£100 WORTH OF BEST BOOKS.

Mr. Rhodes once wrote to Mr. Stead and asked him to send him out £100 worth of books. "I had the advantage of consultation," says Mr. Stead, "with the leading men in every department of thought and action. From Mr. Gladstone downwards I received the most ready help in the selection of books for the Prime Minister of South Africa. The most amusing advice came from an Admiral of the Fleet. 'The book you ought to send to Cape Town,' wrote this doughty commander, is Mahan's 'Sea Power in History.' I think you could not do better than spend the whole of the hundred pounds in buying copies of that book.'"

HOW BARNATO WAS OUTWITTED.

The following story may or may not be true, but if it isn't it ought to be. On one occasion Mr. Barnato, on behalf of his firm, Messrs. Barnato Brothers, made Mr. Rhodes an offer for the whole of the De Beers stock, which practically meant all the diamonds in the market at the time. Mr. Rhodes replied that he would let him have them on condition that they should pour the whole lot, 220,000 carats, into a bucket, and thus be able to gaze upon what no human eye had ever previously seen—viz., a bucketful of diamonds. "Done." replied Mr. Barnato, in his characteristic fashion. "I'll take them. So the bargain was completed and they poured the mass of glittering gems into a bucket. It is said that they gazed long and attentively at the unique sight, and after the bucket had been photographed, the goods—diamonds are termed "goods" in the trade at Kimberley—were duly delivered to the purchasers. Then the acuteness of Mr. Rhodes showed resplendently, Sorting and classifying diamonds is a tedious, responsible, and lengthy process—much more so than sorting and stapling wool—and in this bucketful there were 160 different sorts or sizes. Messrs. Barnato Brothers were six weeks in completing the re-sorting, and the gems were necessarily kept off the market all that period. And, of course, Mr. Rhodes had the market to himself all the while, and scored heavily over the deal.

THE GREATMAN AND THE GRUMBLERS.

Here is a picture of Mr. Rhodes at Umtali receiving petitions from all sorts and conditions of grumblers. It is supplied by Miss Rose Blennerhassed and Miss Lucy Sleeman, nurses who visited Mashonaland some years since, and published their experiences in book form:

The malcontents went to his hut, and came away in a few moments cheerful and satisfied. Not that anything was altered the condition of affairs; the man's mere personal magnetism wrought the change." They thought he could square everything, even the tsetse fly.

Then the great man comes to see the lady nurses, asks for pen and ink, and produces his cheque-book for the benefit of the hospital. How much would we have; would £100 do? Amply we said Well, he thought he had better make it £150. I feel sure that if we clamoured for £ 500 he would have given it." He stays chatting for two hours, and departs promising to see them through all difficulties. "Nor was it a vain promise. Of his many kindnesses we thought most of his having remember to replace the small medical library which had been lost with our luggage. The books not being procurable at the Cape, this busy man took the trouble of having them sent for to England." Finally he vanished towards Salisbury, "leaving everyone as hopeful, enterprising, and confident in the resources of the country as they had been dispirited and pessimistic before his arrival.

An amusing incident of the great Expansionist's early days was thus narrated once by Mr. Rhodes himself:

In my early South African days (said Mr. Rhodes at Port Elizabeth), when I was studying for my "greats," constantly travelling between Kimbereley and Oxford, I once travelled for several days with Sir Charles Warren. As you know, the Thirty-nine Articles are one of the subjects which it is necessary to master for the Oxford examination, and so I used to be constantly studying the Prayer-book. One night Warren asked me what in Heaven's name, I was studying the Thirty-nine Articles for. I asked him why he wanted to know. He replied: "For four days and four nights I have been wondering whether you were a Methodist parson or what, and I have hardly been able to sleep from curiosity." I replied: "Why didn't you ask me?" That is just what I would say now to Port Elizabeth: "Why didn't you ask me?"

RHODES AND THE NATIVES.

Mrs. Schreiner, it will be remembered, has depicted Mr. Rhodes as a hater, oppressor, and exterminator of "niggers." Dr. Jameson, on the other hand, mentions that one of Mr. Rhodes's most prominent characteristics, which from the first impressed him greatly, was his great liking for and sympathy with the black men, the natives of the country:

He likes to be with them, he is fond of them, and trusts them, and they admire and trust him. He had thousands of natives under him in the De Beers mines. He carefully provided for their comfort, recreation, and health. He was always looking after their interests. He liked to be with them, and his favourite recreation every Sunday afternoon was to go into the De Beers native compound, where he had built them a fine swimming bath, and throw in shillings for natives to dive for. He knew enough of their language to talk to them freely, and they looked up to him—indeed, fairly worshipped the great white man.

The Doctor adds that he has never seen anyone else who had the same sympathy with the natives.

The estimate of Mr. Cecil Rhodes given by the late Joseph Thomson, who had extensive knowledge of South Africa, possesses interest to-day. The explorer was greatly struck with the wisdom of Mr. Rhodes's system of sketching out a policy to a subordinate, and then trusting him fully to do the best with it. "Rhodes as a boss," wrote Mr. Thomson as recorded in his Life, "was of all bosses the most satisfactory to work for—the very antipodes of Mackinnon, a man with imperial views and a parish grasp of them, who expected to have slaves to deal with, not men."

A MOMENTOUS MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

Among the might have been of Mr. Rhodes's life is that story of a meeting which didn't take place between him and President Kruger, as related in The Transvaal from Within, by J. P. Fitzpatrick. Mr. Rhodes arrived by coach in Pretoria one Saturday morning, and desiring to see the President, asked Mr. Ewald Esselin to accompany him and interpret for him. Mr. Rhodes, knowing the peculiar ways of Mr. Kruger, waited at the gate a few yards from the house while Mr. Esselin went in to inquire if the President would see him. Mr. Kruger's reply was that he would see Mr. Rhodes on Monday, that this was "Nachtmaal" time, and the town was full of his burghers, and that he made it a rule, which he would violate for no one, to reserve the Saturdays of the Nachtmaal week for his burghers so as to hear what they had to say if any wished to speak to him, as his burghers were more to him than anyone else in the world. "I do no business on Sunday," he concluded, "so Rhodes can wait or go," Mr. Rhodes did not wait. When he heard the answer he remarked for Mr. Esselin, The old devil? I meant to work with him, but I'm not going on my knees to him. I've got my concession, however, and he can do nothing."

Last night a man of the name of Atmaram belonging to the Cantonment Police attempted to commit suicide by taking an overdose of opium. He was removed to the Hospital where at the come of writing he is lying in a very precarious and unconscious state.

RAILWAY COLLISION AT DELHI.

ENGINE FALLS THROUGH A BRIDGE.

ON Saturday night about ten o'clock there was a collision in the Delhi yard. The pilot engine of a down goods train, while leaving the shed, collided with an up goods train that was leaving the station. The driver of the pilot engine seeing the goods train approaching, promptly reversed his lever, but not in time to escape the crash and this only served to set it free and send it at a terrific pace along the main up line from Ghaziabad. Fortunately the pointsman kept his wits about him and threw the engine off the main line into the Selimgarh Fort siding, or there would have been a most serious collision on the bridge with an approaching goods train. Meanwhile the engine crushed through a dead siding the earthwork embankment behind and the wall of the Selimgarh entrenchment and was precipitated over a culvert on the Grand Trunk Road.

The engine is now lying a perfect wreck in the roadway beneath.

The driver and fireman, it is said, seeing that a collision was inevitable, jumped off after the lever was reversed, and sustained but slight injuries, which are being attended to in the hospital.

The fact that the locomotive should still be lying in the roadway 16 hours afterwards, with apparently no prospect of being speedily replaced on the metals, and with no European to direct the operations of a dozen natives, does not seem as if there was much smartness about the E. I. R. breakdown staff.

UNITED STATES SCANDAL.

THE SALE OF THE DANISH WEST INDIES.

ALLEGED BRIBERY OF POLITICIANS.

IN the House of Representatives at Washington, on March 27. Mr. Richardson offered a resolution reciting that;

"Walter Christmas, who is a Danish subject and a diplomatic agent appointed by Denmark to negotiate the sale of the Danish West Indies, and was also agent for the United States for the said purchase, has submitted a secret report to Denmark. In the said report he declares and sets forth, among other things, that Denmark had contracted to pay him 10 per cent, of the proceeds of the sale for the express purpose, as has been declared by him in the said secret report, of bribing members of Congress and other prominent citizens of the United States and of subsidising American newspapers to the end that the treaty may be consummated, Mr. Richardson demanded an inquiry. The reading of the resolution created a sensation.

In the course of the discussion which followed, Mr. Richardson said he had a copy of the alleged secret report. The interest at this point became intense, but the chief sensation came when Mr. Richardson proceeded to read extracts from it.

Mr. Richardson said the State Department must have known of the charges.

The House unanimously adopted the resolution, and Mr. Henderson, the Speaker, appointed a Committee to inquire into the matter.

The price of the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States was fixed at £1,000,000; therefore the 10 per cent. of the proceeds of the sale would be £100,000. Should the committee of inquiry prove the accuracy of Mr. Richardson's allegations it might possibly postpone the transfer of the islands to the United States, for although the treaty of cession has been signed by Denmark and the United States, it has not yet been ratified by either the United States Senate or the Danish Parliament

ITALY AND SWITZERLAND.

DIPLOMATIC INCIDENT.

ROME, March 22.—A contradiction is given to the story recently published by a Swiss paper, and reproduced by several other journals, to the effect that the Swiss Federal Council had declined to entertain a complaint made in a Note recently presented by the Italian Minister at Berne on account of an article in a Swiss Anarchist journal insulting the memory of the late King Humbert.

Referring to this contradiction, the "Tribuna" says that the Italian Legation at Berne has on several occasions called the attention of the Federal Government to the violent articles on the late King and on the reigning Italian Sovereigns, published by an Anarchist journal at Geneva. The Federal Government replied that it could take no action, as it could not apply the Swiss laws to the journal in question. Last February, Signor Silvestrelli, the Italian Minister at Berne, sent another Note, again calling the attention of the Federal Council to articles appearing in the abovementioned newspaper insulting the memory of the late King Humbert. The Federal Council in reply asked the Italian Government to present a demand in the usual form, if it desired the prosecution of the newspaper, adding that the Italian Government would be required to enter into an agreement to act similarly in case of need. The Italian Legation did not consider itself bound to submit to the claims of the Federal Government, which were not, according to the Legation, justified and Signor Silvestrelli replied in a Note on March 8 that he would not formulate his demand, protesting once more against the freedom allowed to the newspaper as being a clear infringement of international obligations, and also pointing out the untimeliness of the request for equality of treatment. His Excellency added that it would be desirable for Italian institutions to receive in the Swiss Press the same respect as the Federal Government always received in the Italian Press.

The President of the Confederation, in his reply to this Note, confined himself to protesting against the remarks of the Minister, appealing to the Swiss law as his justification.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, APRIL 15.

Tuesday.—A general increase of pressure has taken place, the increase being brisk to rapid in the region covered yesterday by the depression which has now practically filled up. North-westerns and thunderstorms have given light to heavy showers in Assam, parts of Bengal and a few light showers have fallen in Burma and south of the Peninsula. Narayanganj has received three and a half inches, Chittagong three inches, Barisal one and a half inches, Sibsagar, Tezpur and Balasore one inch. High pressure conditions prevail in the Brahmaputra Valley and Burma, where the pressure is in considerable to large excess. Winds are irregular in Bengal and conditions continue feebly unsettled in that region.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON MONDAY, THE 14TH OF APRIL.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has increased everywhere, the rise being brisk in the Punjab, North-West Provinces and at Dwarka, Rajkot, Saugar, Jubulpore, Hoshangabad, Nagpur, Goa, Secunderabad, Cuddapah, Masulipatam, Madras and Negapatam.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been fresh to light.

The variations of both day and night temperature are in most cases small, The maximum temperature varied from 108° at Nagpur to 85° at Veraval and the minimum from 59° at Lahore to 84° at Cuddapah.

There has been no rain at any station.

Weather is fine and settled over nearly the whole country.

E. A. KENYON,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

HERE, THERE AND EVERYWHERE.

Mr. Rhodes's connexion with London dated from a very early period. One of his ancestors, a Mr. William Rhodes, was the tenant of a farm which occupied the site of the Foundling Hospital, whilst another member of the family owned property which is now covered by the Alexandra Palace at Muswell Hill. The late Mr. Rhodes's London estates were principally situated in the parish of Hackney, and several of his ancestors are buried in old St. Pancras Church, where some years ago he erected a handsome monument over their tomb.

Mr. Rhodes's appearances before the British South Africa Committee will be remembered. He gave his evidence (a correspondent who saw him daily at that time recalls) with an air of apparent indifference, and this impression was certainly heightened by the fact that he was eating his lunch at the same time. Every morning, at the same hour precisely, an attendant brought him a small pile of sandwiches and a large glass of stout, which Mr. Rhodes at once commenced to negotiate, continuing at the same time between the mouthfuls the evidence which he was laying before the Committee. During the frequent adjournments which were necessitated by the clearing of the room to enable the Committee to consider some point in private, Mr. Rhodes repaired to Westminster Hall, where, with Mr. Beit, Mr. Rochfort Maguire, Colonel Frank Rhodes, and other South African celebrities, he paced up and down the historic building until such time as Mr. Labouchere had once more put himself right with his colleagues.

No time has been lost in filling the vacancy in the ranks of the sculptors among the Royal Academicians. The Forty gainstrength by the inclusion of Mr. George Frampton in the inner circle. Little that he has attempted has come amiss to him. Though a busy man in his studio, he has found time to act as inspector of the Arts and Crafts schools under the Technical Instruction Board of the London County Council, and has directed their work to practical ends. Mr. Frampton is young as Academicians rank, for he is little over forty. He has studied in Paris, and one of his earliest conceptions, "The Angle of Death," since given by him to the public art gallery at Camberwell, won the Honourable Mention from the Salon; but most of his training has been in England. He came to the front very rapidly, and great things are still expected of him.

"After many days of delicious weather," writes a correspondent from San Remo on the 23rd inst, "we are to-day enduring hail, rain, wind, cold, thunder and lightning! Thus it is when 'March comes in like a lamb.' The deluges of rain of the last two days seem, however, to have agreed with orchards and gardens. Almond trees, peaches, and cherries are now going off in beauty; but pears are just coming into flower. Banksia roses are beginning. Wild tulips (in three colours), primroses, violets, jonquils, hepaticas, and bluebells are gathered in quantities by the country children and sold to the passing stranger. Wild anemones, red and blue, brighten the Nervia Valley. Snowy "Star of Bethlehem" glitters in the sunshine in many terraced olive groves, and the violets make real purple patches in many "a green shade."

The Dutch have many strange customs, but one strangest is their habit of smoking in church. A similar practise exists in several churches in South America. Smoking in churches in Great Britain, according to the Sunday Strand, is said to have been prevalent at the end of the sixteenth and the beginning of the seventeenth century. In Wales smoking in church was indulged in as late as 1850. In one church the Communion-table stood in the aisle, and the farmers were in the habit of putting their hats upon it, and when the service began they lighted their pipes and smoked, without any thought of irreverence in the act.

The hold which Prince Bismarck still has on his compatriots is exemplified every year on his birthday, April 1, when countless celebrations are held all over Germany in honour of the day. If the overcoming of difficulties and hardships in this connexion counts for anything, then the men and youths who celebrate the event every year on the top of the Feldberg, the highest part of the Black Forest, are the most devoted of the Iron Chancellor's admirers. The Feldberg at the end of March can only be reached by a long climb through regions of ice and snow, and this year, after a severe winter, will be more difficult to reach than usual. Nevertheless, there is to be a torchlight procession on the eve of April 1 to the Bismarck monument on the Feldberg, followed by a banquet, and on the day itself there is to be the solemn celebration, and after that a dinner "with toasts."

The present dialect of the Boers in South Africa has so widely diverged from the literary Dutch language of their European Fatherland that it was thought advisable amongst them to have a Boer translation of the Bible. In the year 1884 (as we learn from Dr. Meyer-Benfey's account of the "Language and Literature of the Boers" in three successive numbers of the "Allgemeine Zeitung"), after applying without success to the British and Foreign Society, a "Collegium" of Twelwe Translators was appointed to take the work in hand. The only portion as yet printed is the Book of Genesis, and there seems little prospect of the continuation of the Boer Bible until the war is over. Dr. Meyer-Benfey has printed the first few verses of the Boer Genesis in parellel columns with the ordinary Dutch version. The "Zuid-Afrikansche Volks-Taal" is as like and unlike to the Dutch of The Hague as the Scots-English of the novelists is to the English of Westminster.

One highly satisfactory result of Prince Henry's recent visit to America is the enthusiasm for "Prince Henry hat bands," which are being sent by unnumbered millions from Germany across the Atlantic. The districts in Germany which depend for the daily bread of nearly all the inhabitants on the hat bands and similar articles manufactured there have suffered very severly during the last year and longer from the slackness of trade, and this sudden demand for "Prince Henry hat bands," has been an enormous boon to many thousand humble and hard working families. In consequence of this demand nearly every show-window in America blossomed out during the Prince's visit into some sort of "Prince Henry" article. There were cravats, collars, cuffs, handkerchiefs, canes, hats, pens, medals, coins, &c., and we are told the craze still continues; so that both in Germany and the United States a very practical outcome of the Prince's visit, and one that is not likely to lead to any "complications," can be chronicled.

By the Lord Chancellor's latest creations the ranks of the King's Counsel are increased by a "baker's dozen." The best known are Mr. Montagu Lush, who enjoys a considerable Common Law practice, and whose silk has been delayed longer than was expected; and Mr. Buckmaster, who is a favourite of the judges, and by general consent the most brilliant of the younger men at the Chancery Bar. Sir John Rahere Paget, Bart., who went to the Bar thirty years ago, is a deeply learned lawyer and Gilbart Lecturer on Banking. Mr. Stewart-Smith is favourably known in company matters; Mr. Arthur Powell figures high in the ranks of rising commercial lawyers; Mr. R. A. Germaine is recorder of Lichfield and was for many years a member of the L. C. C.; Mr. Frederick Low is literally a very large figure in bankruptcy and other matters of accounts; and Mr. Boxall's suave manner has extracted many an unwitting confession in cross-examination.

Tombland Fair, which opens at Norwich to-morrow and lasts over the holidays, recalls memories of Borrow and the gipsies. Mousehold Heath, outside the town, which fifty years ago was a wilderness and a camping ground for vagrants, is being rapidly transformed into a suburban park, where quiet nursemaids roam and read novelettes. An electric tram runs through it. By the way, no one has yet drawn public attention to the fact that next year will be the centenary of Borrow's birth. He was born at Dumpling Green, near East Dereham, in 1803. There is no monument to him in the neighbourhood of his birthplace.

Count von Bulow, the German Chancellor, is the favourite of the paragraphists all over Europe. The Italian "Nuova Antologia," in a long article, gives some details concerning his home in the Chancellor's mansion at Berlin. It is a house composed of a central part and two wings, we are told. The former workroom of Prince Hohenlohe on the first floor has been changed by Count von Bulow into a Bismarck museum. The adjoining rooms belong to Countess von Bulow, who "receives" in them every afternoon from 2-30 to 3-30. Opposite is the Chancellor's work-room. Count von Bulow is known for his passion for accuracy. His books and papers are arranged with perfect order. The pictures on the walls, the objects of art about the rooms, the photographs placed about, all show the same idea of symmetrical order, which arrangement, one would imagine, though it may be perfect from the point of view of the mathematician, would hardly add to the artistic charm of the delightful old palace on the Wilhelmstrasse.

WRITERS AND READERS.

Mr. John Murray is to publish a work which will tell the history of the Royal Yacht Squadron from its foundation to the present time. Within this record there will come memorials of some distinguished yachtsmen, and accounts of some famous yachts. The book is being prepared by Mr. Montague J. Guest and Mr. W. B. Boulton, and will be illustrated.

Mr. Seton-Karr, M. P., has written a book which he entitles "The Call to Arms, 1900-1901." He describes it as a review of the Imperial Yeomanry movement, and subjects connected therewith. It will be published by Messrs. Longmans, who also announce a new volume relating to the Shakespeare controversy. The author of it is Judge-Webb, who was Professor of Laws and Public Orator in the University of Dublin. It is called The Mystery of William Shakespeare: A Summary of Evidence.

Another Napoleon book. It refers to his residence at St. Helena, and throws interesting light on that last phase of his life. The original of the volume appeared in France rather over a year ago, and attracted much notice. The author, M. Fremeaux, was principally indebted to papers and letters which had not previously been made public. These were written by or to Dr. John Stokoe, surgeon on H. M. S. Conqueror, the British flagship at St. Helena. Miss Edith Stokoe, a great grand-niece of the doctor, has translated the work from the French, and Mr. Lane is to publish it soon.

We are getting from the pen of Mr. F. D. How, who so admirably recorded the life of his father, Dr. Walsham How, a biography of a hero of the medical profession. A year or two back everybody was stirred by the story of how Dr, William Smyth, of Burtonport, fought a visitation of typhus on the poverty-stricken island of Arranmore. We had then a glimpse of his courageous self-sacrifice; now we shall have an adequate account of what he did, with a folly appreciation of himself as a man. His sense of loyalty to a helpless people was only one characteristic of a fine personality.

To the books which he has already given us, Mr. Mortimer Menpes, the well-known artist, is about to add another, under the title "World Pictures." This would indicate that it is a selection from the many sketches he has made during his world-wide travels. It will contain fifty full-page pictures in colour, as many halftone illustrations; and no fewer than four hundred pen-and-ink sketches. Apart from "the ordinary edition, these will be a limited "edition de luxe and fifty copies signed by Mr. Menpes. His daughter Miss Dorothy Menpes, writes the text for the book and Messrs. Black will publish it.

Three further volumes will appear during the early summer in Mr. Lane's series of practical gardening books. In one Mr. G. Wythes, who is gardener to the Duke of Northumberland, will write on the cultivation of vegetables. In another Mr. Edwin Becket, the the head gardener at Alpenham House, will treat of the strawberry, with chapters on the blackberry, the loganberry, the wineberry, and allied fruits. The third volume will be about orchids, and is being written by Mr. W. H. White, who is orchid-grower to Sir Trevor Lawrence. The success of the books which have already appeared in this series is one more evidence of the interest that garden literature, whether essays or practical advice, attracts in these days.

The volume on motors and motor-driving which Mr. Alfred Harmsworth has edited for the Badminton Library will contain the following among other papers:—

A Short History of the motor Car. By the Marquis de Chasseloup-Laubt.

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Motor Cars and Health. By Sir Henry Thompson.

The Motor Stable and its Management. By Sir David Salomons.

The Caprices of the Petrol Motor. By the Hon. C. S. Rolls.

The Charms of Driving in Motors. By Sir Francis Jeune.

Roads. By Mr. St. Loe Strachey.

Reminiscences. By Sir J. H. A. Macdonald, Lord Justice Clerk of Scotland.

Of Mr. Hilaire Belloc's forthcoming book, The Path to Rome, we have this intimation:—

The author herein describes a walk of 600 miles, taken last summer from the town in Lorraine, where he once was in garrison, to Rome, illustrating in some eighty sketches the scenes through which he passed. The book is not only a description of the journey, but contains also a number of such anecdotes and stories as occur to him or are suggested by his adventures. He also ventures occasionally upon verse.

Mr. Belloc tells how the idea of the journey began with him—it was one day in his wanderings over the world, when he had come to the old church in the French valley where he was born.

Mr. J. G. Alger, who has already written largely on the period of the French Revolution, is now finishing a volume which deals with municipal Paris at that time. He thinks that twenty years' study of the literature and manuscripts bearing upon the Revolution enable him to throw new light upon it.

Confidential reports on the temper of the population, the signatures to Clootz's address, and to English and American deputations, sixty thrilling farewell letter by victims of the guillotine, and other prison documents, are now for the first time printed. The letters were intercepted by Fouquier-Tinville, and the late Duc de Broglie was not aware, until informed by Mr. Alger, that his grandfather had thus endeavoured to send his wife a last token of affection.

The first English translation of Madame Roland's prison letters to Bazot is given in the book, which Mr. George Allen will publish.

Concerning Fiction.—Mrs. Hodgson Burnett has written a new novel, which will appear here during the summer.—Another American novelist, Mr. W. D. Howells, also has a story in the press. It is being published by Messrs. Harper.—Messrs, Smith, Elder have two novels coming out—namely. My Lord Winchenden, by Mr. Graham Hope; and An Inlan Ferry, by Miss Susan Christian.—Soon after Easter. Messrs. Chatto are to publish Dr. Squire Sprigge's volume of fiction. An Industrious Chevalier, and Mr. E. W. Hornung's new romance. The Shadow of the Rope.—Next week Messrs. Chatto will publish a story by Miss Annie Swan, entitled Love Grown Cold, and a story by Miss Florence French Kelly, entitled With Hoops of Steel.—Rowland Grey informs us that her forthcoming book, "Myself When Young" announced in this column on Wednesday). is not a book of reminiscences, but simply the story of a child — all fancy.

Bric-Brac.—Professor Langton Douglas is writing a history of Siena, which Mr. Murray will publish. It is to be fully illustrated.—Max O'Rell has now sent to Messrs. Chatto the manuscript for his forthcoming volume, "Studies in Cheerfulness." He is at the moment on the way to England from America.—"The Roll-Call of Westminster Abbey" is a work which Messrs. Smith, Elder will shortly publish. It has been prepared by Mrs. Murray Smith.—Mr. George Allen announce that the first volume in the collected edition of Ruskin's writings cannot possibly be issued before the end of the year.—Mr. Lane will publish, on an early day a volume of studies and notes dealing with Dante and the Divine Comedy. They are by Mr. Payling Wright.—What to see in England is a volume by Mr. Gordon Home which Messrs. Black announces. It is illustrated by the author.—The second volume of Professor Saintsbury's History of Criticism and Literary Taste in Europ's is nearly ready. The work will be completed in, there volumes,

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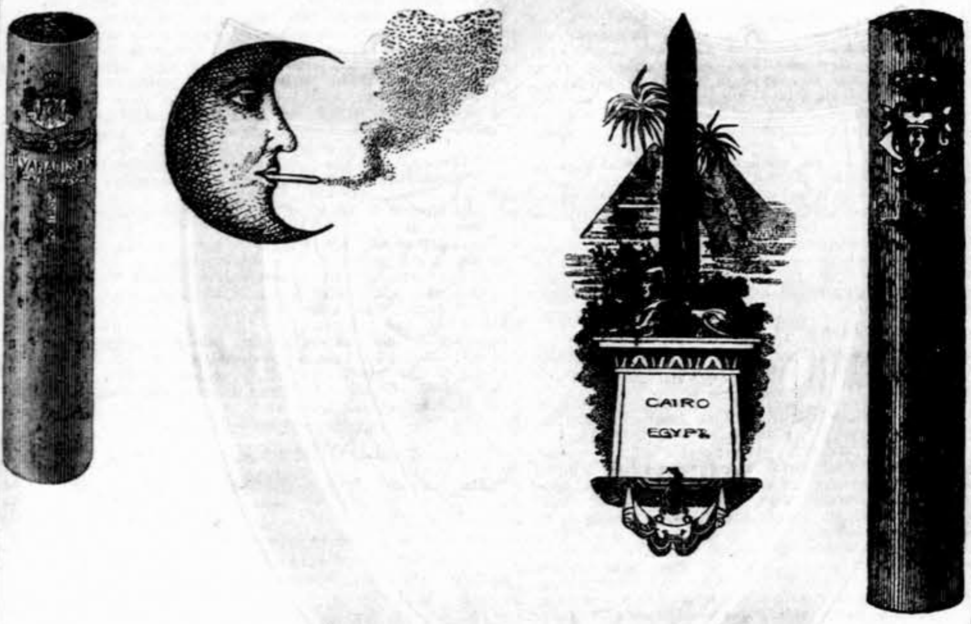

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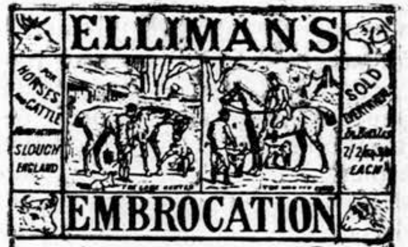

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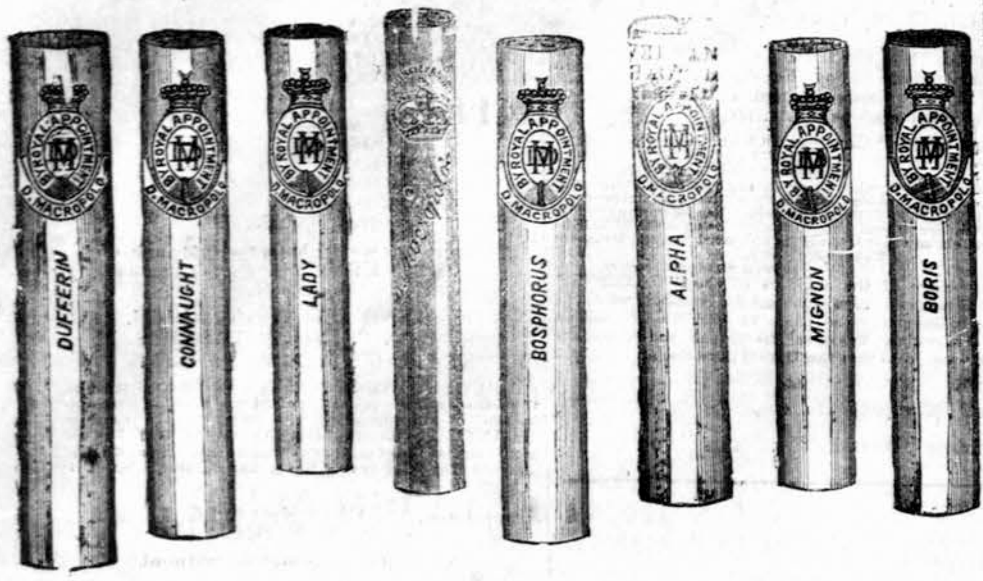

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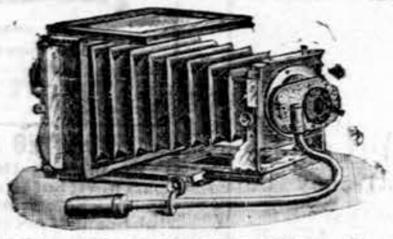

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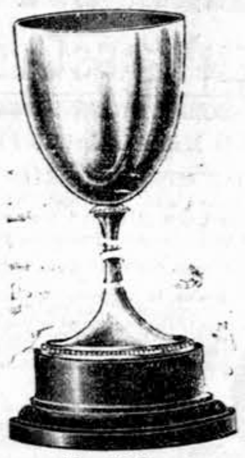

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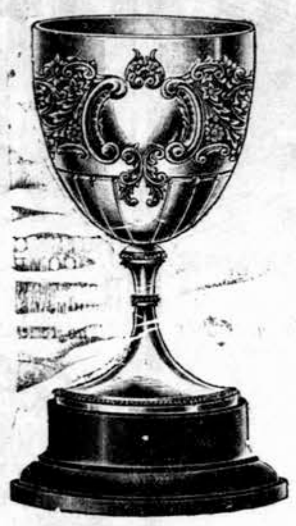

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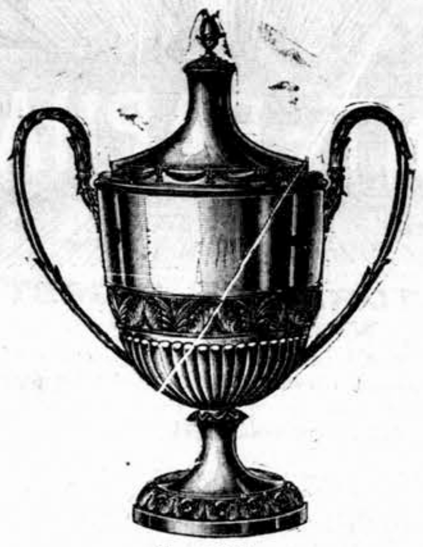

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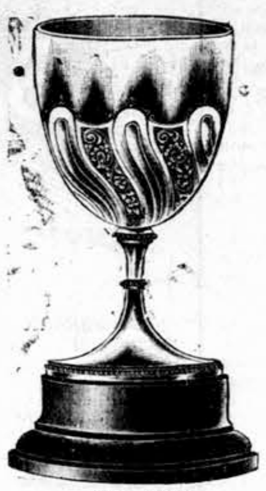

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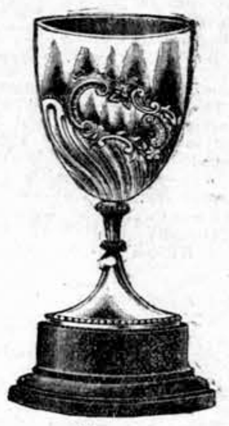

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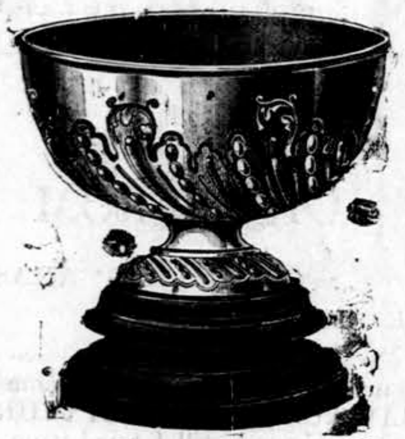

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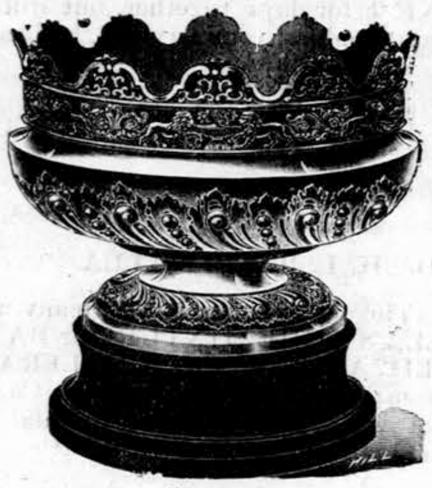

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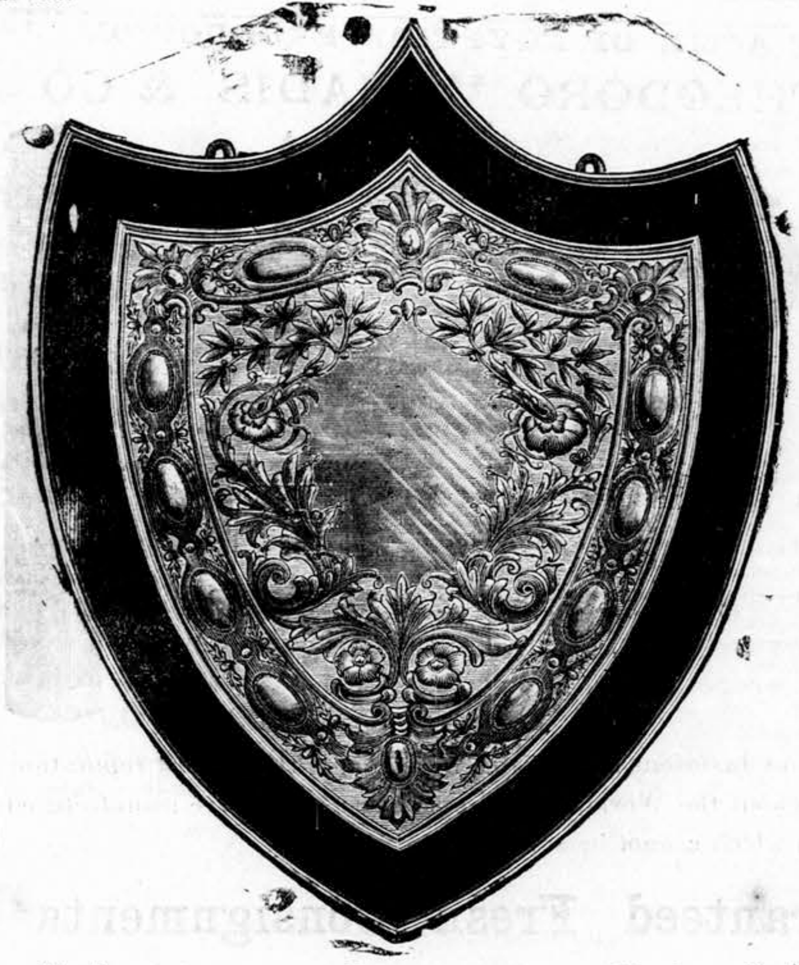

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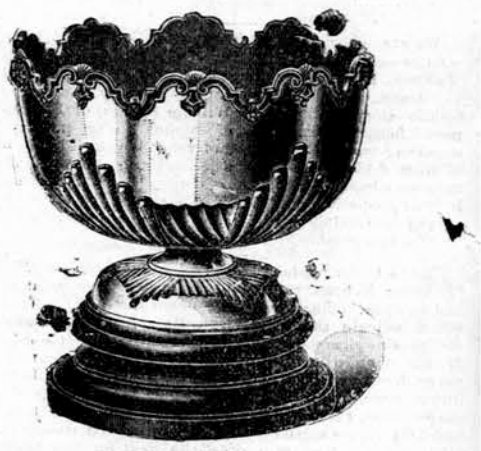

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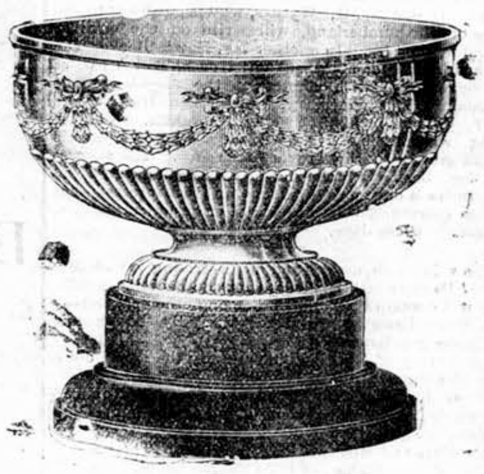

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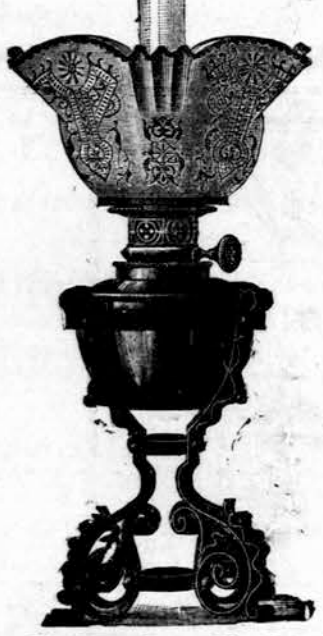

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